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Under the Elms

HOMECOMING

Make your plans NOW to return to the campus for the annual Homecoming celebration on October 14-16. Remember how the dormitories and downtown stores dress up for the occasion? The Yeoman football team will play host to the "Gators" from Allegheny on Savage Field (you'll see the new Herb Nichols Gates at the entrance to the Men's Athletic Field). After the game the Alumni Association is holding a reception for all alumni and faculty in the Men's Building. And in the evening there will be a big all-college, all-alumni dance with alumni guests of the Association.

So plan to be back! And don't forget to drop in to say hello at our offices in the East end of the Men's Building.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

A recently published history of Berea College by Elizabeth S. Peck, professor of history at the Kentucky school, calls attention to "more than passing influence" on Berea through the years by Oberlin College.

Dr. John A. R. Rogers, '75, a member of Oberlin's Board of Trustees (1909-28) was the first Berea teacher. Succeeding presidents were Dr. William G. Frost, '76, professor of Greek at Oberlin, 1876-92; Dr. William J. Hutchins, D.D., '20, professor of homiletics, 1907-20; and his son, the current president, Dr. Francis S. Hutchins, '23.

Interracial education was one of the foundation stones at Berea, as at Oberlin. Early anti-slavery movements were born there, and in the early days mobs once burned down the school in a pro-slavery fervor.

Oberlin's motto, "Learning and Labor" has also influenced Berea through the years. Students are still required to work a minimum of 10 hours a week, regardless of financial status.

FOR BETTER EATING

A radical new departure in providing meals for the undergraduates will be instituted during 1955-56 with the employment by the College of Saga Food Service of Ohio, Inc., to operate the new dormitory dining hall located behind Dascomb.

Saga Food Service is an organization serving only colleges. Among its present clients are Wells, Kalamazoo, Hobart and William Smith, Alma, Hillsdale, Monmouth, and St. Mary's Colleges. Mr. H. W. Anderson, resident

manager at Wells College last year, will manage the service at Oberlin.

The new dining hall will not be ready until the second semester. During the first semester, Saga will operate the dining halls at Barrows, Cranford, Elmwood, Mallory, and Webster-French, dormitories that will be closed when the new Dascomb opens its doors in February.

Saga Service will continue to employ the same personnel already in service in College dining halls and kitchens.

COLLEGE QUIZ BOWL

Oberlin's Quiz Kids will again be on the air in a nation-wide hook-up over NBC on October 19, 8:30 p. m., Eastern Daylight Time.

With David Mitten, sole survivor of last year's team that upset the University of Minnesota, as the top challenger, the local team of four will appear on the stage at Hall Auditorium as the Quiz Bowl comes to Oberlin in its fourth round.

SALUTE TO GILBERT AND SULLIVAN PLAYERS

Oberlin's renowned Gilbert and Sullivan Players rounded out their third season on Cape Cod the middle of August, where they played this year at the Memorial Theater in Falmouth.

With W. Hayden Boyers, professor of romance languages and literature, as producer, the 70-member troupe had another outstanding success in summer theater — good will ambassadors, extraordinary, on the east coast. New stars, such as Boris Oblesow, Sonya Bashore, and Bob Mesrobian captivated eastern audiences. Oberlin's Gilbert and Sullivan Players are fast acquiring a national reputation.

FULBRIGHT AWARDS

Seven Oberlin seniors and graduates were awarded Fulbright grants for graduate study abroad during 1955-56.

Seniors in the College receiving fellowships are Ann Carey Parshall, who will study English literature at Somerville College, Oxford; Allen Edward Caswell, political science at the University of Strasbourg; and Richard Allen Goldthwaite, history at the University of Florence.

Conservatory students honored are Marion Elizabeth Sibley, who will study music in Paris; and Edelgard Hainke, piano in Germany.

Louis Eugene Bertoni of the Graduate School of Theology, will study the philosophy of religion at Heidelberg, Germany; and Reverend James Elliott Mason, S.T.M., '53, will study religion at the University of Edinburgh.

FALL SPORT SCHEDULE

FOOTBALL

OCTOBER —

- 1—Otterbein
- 8—at DePauw
- 15—Allegheny (Homecoming)
- 22—Ohio Wesleyan
- 29—at Rochester

NOVEMBER —

- 5—at Akron
- 12—Denison
- 19—at Wooster

SOCCER

OCTOBER —

- 8—Case Tech
- 15—at Kenyon
- 25—at Ohio Wesleyan
- 29—Allegheny

NOVEMBER —

- 5—Slippery Rock
- 11—Grove City
- 16—at Ohio State
- 19—Denison

CROSS COUNTRY

OCTOBER —

- 1—Slippery Rock
- 8—at DePauw
- 15—Westminster
- 22—Ohio Wesleyan
- 26—Bowling Green
- 29—at Case Tech

NOVEMBER —

- 2—at Wooster
- 5—Kent State
- 17—Ohio Conference Run at Otterbein

SOCCER

Captain Dale Conly and Coach Cliff Stevenson have the task this year of protecting a winning streak that has extended through five and a half seasons. Dating back to midway in 1950, the booters have run their undefeated string to 41 games.

A nucleus of 13 lettermen will form the core of the 1955 team. Loss of several high scoring forwards from the 1954 squad may pose some difficulties, but the large squad — there were some 60 aspirants last season — always seems to furnish the necessary replacements.

CROSS COUNTRY

Dan Kinsey, coach of the thinclads, will have a veteran team this fall, strengthened, he hopes, by the return of John Miller, who studied at the University of Edinburgh last year. Miller, who was undefeated two years ago, joins Dave McKnight, sophomore from Maumee, who equaled that feat in 1954, to give Oberlin one of its strongest aggregations in recent years. Captain Garth McCormick and a group of six more veterans round out the team.

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We Think . . .

AS A BRAND-NEW Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, I have a fleeting but peculiar perspective on alumni-college relations. My impressions as an outsider — an ordinary, work-a-day Oberlinian — are still vivid, yet I have been at Tom Harris' desk long enough to see in dim outline the dimensions of this relationship from the inside.

There is danger in generalizing so let this stand as a personal accounting. As an alumnus I acted on the premise that the College was indebted to me. It could shine in the reflected glory of my limited success in a chosen profession; it could expand its program (but not much) with my necessarily-meager contributions to the various funds; it might well have sent me a receipt for my sporadic support of alumni functions. Even my subscription to this magazine added to the College's debt to me. The total was never very large

but I am sure I realized that the debt existed.

Stated starkly, the facts in my ledger look out of balance, and they are. While Oberlin is deeply obligated to each of its alumni who contributes something to society, there is another side. I don't think I ever asked myself whether I owed the college anything more than I gave it in the course of pursuing a career and the usual social activities. In the last three weeks, I have discovered that the Association is full of people who have a broader outlook than I had. The numbers of alumni who actively, unselfishly, and enduringly support the College are legion. And not all of these are known, not all of them are content with financial contributions.

This raised a question in my mind. Why do they feel an obligation that I missed?

Frankly, I'm still not sure. I have some ideas and I'd welcome others from you. There must be in these people a basic, working philosophy of service. It may be a transmutation of undergraduate college loyalty; it may be a

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In This Issue

LIKE OUR NEW MASTHEAD? Mr. A. R. Tommasini, renowned magazine layout authority, designed it for us at the Bretton Woods Conference this June . . . Another fall rolls around. Brief cases and bicycles return to the campus. Can you recognize this busy spot on our cover?

OH WHERE IS MY WANDERING MIND tonight? Are you a mental neuter? In the "Age of the Jerk" Edward Tenney, '23, writes a provocative article on the growing influence to accept "what everyone thinks" and its effect on education. Please turn to page 4.

NOW HEAR THIS! At our request Dr. Clarence V. Hudgins, '28, A.M., '29, has written about his highly significant work for handicapped children at the Clarke School for the Deaf. You will find his most interesting story on page 6.

"I SEE A GOOD DEAL of Oberlin life pass beneath my window," said President Stevenson, as he swung around in his swivel chair and gazed reminiscently out over the campus. We were in his office to ask him to write an occasional piece for us, and his remarks gave us our title. To look out with President Stevenson this month, turn to page 8.

THERE'S ALWAYS BEEN an Oberlin Inn. The New 1955 model, replacing the out-moded-88-year-old fire hazard, is a thing of beauty and modern comfort. Donald M. Love, '16, turns back the pages to review the history of its predecessors on page 14. And for a photo tour through the New Oberlin Inn, see page 16.

THIS YEAR USHERS IN a new era for the departments of physical education. Lysle K. Butler, '25, replaces J. Herbert (Herb) Nichols; and Miss Betty McCue takes over the reins of the Women's athletic department. Profiles on these two personalities are on page 13.

DO YOU KNOW Leslie H. Fishel, Jr., '43? We hope you will soon. In the meantime turn to page 10 for a quick profile on our new Executive Secretary and his family.

R. S. V. P. and we mean just that. Each month we hope to have a guest editorial writer. This month's guest is Charles A. Mosher, '28, who recently hit the New York *Times* because of his stand on movie censorship. See page 11.

AGE OF THE JERK

By EDWARD A. TENNEY, '23

Professor of English, Indiana State Teachers College

"WE ARE LIVING in the age of the jerk," wrote a business executive in defense of the low quality of some of his television programs. In so writing this executive covered more territory than he knew. We do indeed live in the age of the jerk, and an inquiry into its intellectual climate produces disquieting results. For this is not only the age in which the jerk is glorified (he was glorified in Jackson's day, too) but the age in which he is nurtured and cultivated as the hope of America. The Elizabethans called the jerk a lout, a clown, a boor, but never magnified his merits. We somewhat euphemistically call him "an unknowing . . . person" (*American College Dictionary*). We do not say "uneducated," because he is often a college or university graduate.

An unknowing person is one who cannot judge because he has no first principles upon which to base a judgment. In the absence of these principles, these inner guideposts to right action, he is lost in any welter of contradictory opinions. For his only guide is the consensus. He has a consensus-sated mind; a count of noses is his index of the truth.

We meet the jerk everywhere in politics, in economics, in religion, in the schools. He dominates by weight of numbers the age named after him. In fact, he has a philosophy which elevates him to heights heretofore unknown. For to him, the voice of God is the voice of the lout; the consensus is the All.

I have exaggerated for the sake of emphasis, and I beg my readers' pardon. The data which led me to such emphatic expression should perhaps have been given first. I shall hereafter endeavor to dip my pen in the cool ink of sobriety.

I have said that a jerk is a jerk because he is unknowing and that he is unknowing because, never having mastered first principles, he has no means of governing his life intelligently. To illustrate how common this type of mind is, let me take a few first principles and show how their absence leads to the creation of jerks in quantity.

A major, time-tested law of the science of ethics is that the end never justifies the means nor the means the end. For an evil end corrupts good means and evil means never justify a good end. In the recent furor over McCarthyism, the McCarthyites threw this primary guide to accurate ethical thought out the window. In its place they installed the slogan "We must fight fire with fire" — a saying equivalent to "We must fight evil with evil." The words heard on many a street corner, "I admire his aims, not his method; smoke the devils out," furnish another illustration: hatred of an evil is sufficient to justify evil.

In business the same kind of reasoning occurs. Our friend, the television magnate, who gave us our punch line — "We are living in the age of the jerk" — is no isolated specimen of the commercial jerk. He attempts to justify the public presentation of debasing images on the ground that those who view them are also debased. (One can justify feeding poison to the sick by the identical argument.)

Among many of my college students in recent years I have discovered a complete absence even of any knowledge of ethical first principles, principles which in any good society must take precedence over other lower principles. "A

good advertiser," writes one student, "is he who promotes the sales of the merchant who employs him to write the advertising; and the best advertiser is he who promotes the highest sales." The idea that the merchant might be a merchant of hate and that anyone who promotes or sells hate is contaminated thereby was, to the student, a patent absurdity.

This student's firm conviction that there could not possibly be a superior ethics which a "knowing" man will impose upon a lower ethics and thus arrive at a superior judgment astonished me until I found that I stood in the presence of a consensus-sated mind which had its own ethics. "This is standard practice," he said. The implication was that "standard practice" is always right. To go beyond that point is to violate the first and the only principle of consensus-sated ethics: to know what one should do one discovers what the "mostest" are doing — and acts accordingly.

Danger to Education

Because I am a professional educator I am interested in the wide-spread presence of this consensus-sated ethics in its powerful presence in academia and fear the danger to us and to our students if it is allowed to develop unchecked.

Its power over the minds of many, students and teachers alike, is to be seen in the way they think and in the way they establish or discover truth.

The most startling evidence is in the language itself. The words "I think . . . I believe . . . I am convinced" used to be standard with freshmen coming out of our public schools. These words are now being replaced by "I feel . . . my reaction is . . . my feeling is . . . it seems to me . . . it is felt that." A similar shift in language has gone on in the students' elders. "What is your reaction?" is now more common than "what do you *think*?" Just how this change came about is not my concern. The change has occurred, and it may best be illustrated by the following incident.

I asked a class of freshmen to write an essay on: Should Benjamin Franklin have been made the patron saint of the Democratic Party instead of Andrew Jackson? The class had just completed reading biographies of each man, and was being asked to argue the case for the superiority of one man over the other. A minority of the students answered the question; almost half of them hedged but gave no reason; another minority hedged and gave the reason. It was this: "Both of these Americans are national heroes by vote and common consent of the American people. It is un-American to contest the will of the people and to set one hero above another." The unexpressed thought was that I, the teacher, had been subversive in asking them to judge.

These students were my best students, as the subtlety of their argument suggests. They cogently expressed what the majority who hedged without giving reasons could not or would not express. In thirty years of teaching I have asked thousands of students to weigh evidence such as this, but never before has my request been denied because the consensus of the American people was so right and complete as to put the question beyond the pale of thoughtful thought.

Notice the denial of the *possibility* of right reason: a good American *must* feel as the majority of Americans feel (or felt) as determined by a consensus of opinion registered at the polls and in the press. (When I lectured my students on their moral and intellectual cowardice, they smiled benignly on me; for they, well-adjusted, feel sorry for a teacher temporarily off the beam. They hold no grudges; my words represent to many of them "a typical deviation from the norm in one who is a holdover from the days when people got excited over merely emotive words like *moral* and *coward*."")

Who's to Blame?

My students are the natural product of the teachings of the age; and when they reflect its predominant creed, I blame them not. But I do blame those administrators and leaders in positions of responsibility and power who, knowing better, have failed to go down fighting. By this I mean those who have permitted the present situation to develop by compromising their intellectual integrity and by abandoning primary laws.

The first principle of education (as basic to this science as the principle of means and ends is to the science of ethics) is that education is a discipline and that the ideally educated man is he who possesses a disciplined imagination, a disciplined memory, disciplined emotions, and a disciplined intelligence. In proportion as any person has made these faculties his servants is he free. They serve him, and not he them. Similarly, and in the same proportion, is he a "knowing" man. If this basic principle is not true, then education is impossible even as ethics becomes impossible when its primary law is abandoned, or as arithmetic ceases when the laws of addition are denied. And yet we professional educators up and down the line deny as often as not the principle which makes our profession a profession. Illustrations abound; I shall cite a couple and then sign off.

Social Scientists Discover Critical Thinking

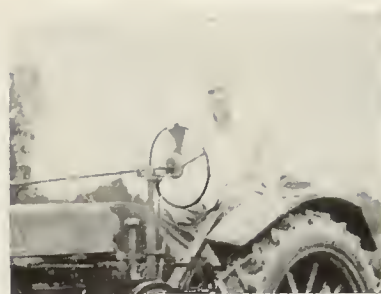
In *Current Issues in Higher Education* 1954, published by the National Education Association, pages 88-89, the question asked of an eminent group of collegiate educators (Group F) is: "Can critical thinking be taught in social science courses in general education?" A large, fully-printed page describes how this question had been moiled and toiled over, how opinions conflicted, and how doubtful were the statistical results of "research" on the question. But page 93 (Recorder's Report) contains another version of what transpired. It would appear that out of the discussion a *consensus* emerged. The Recorder records it with so triumphant a shout as to jolt the mind. It is: "Critical thinking can be taught. The teaching of this skill has merit in the training of good citizens." The novelty of this newly discovered "truth" could only have been novel to a group of educational jerks, minds devoid of first principles and hence surprised when a first principle is rediscovered to be what it always was and always will be — *sub specie aeternitatis* — true.

It is not to be assumed, however, that the consensus arrived at in Chicago last March will hold for more than a year. Again in March of this year the same question will probably be asked, and there is no predicting what answer the consensus will produce. By this procedure, principles are dated by the year. The book in which they are inscribed is entitled *Trends*, a well-chosen word because in the age of the jerk one studies not Truth but Trends and Tendencies.

My second illustration is from among literary colleagues,

SCHOLAR, AUTHOR, TEACHER.

"Red" spends the summer on his farm at Barton City, Michigan. His wife "Renie" (Irene Gray) graduated in 1923. His son, Arthur, '51, and daughter, Ruth, '53, are fifth generation graduates. Bill Gould, Ruth's husband, is x'54.



EDWARD A. TENNEY, '23

lest those in the social studies regard the previous remarks as the narrow prejudice of a professor from another department. In a textbook which I have been required to teach to freshmen occurs the following instruction on how to speak or write well.

You cannot in most cases express your appeal to motives directly or in too obvious a manner. To do so would make the technique too prominent and would develop resistance in the audience. You would not say, "I want you to imitate Jones, the successful banker," nor, "if you contribute to this cause we will print your name so that your reputation as a *generous* person will be known to everybody." Rather you must make your appeal effective through the suggestion of these things. Furthermore, some motive appeals which are privately powerful, such as the appeal to fear, imitation, personal comfort, or pride, we hesitate to acknowledge publicly. Therefore, when these appeals are used in public speech or writing they must be worded tactfully and supplemented by other appeals which we can publicly admit as a cause for our action.

Fortunately, the principle of academic freedom allows me to take issue with the texts in the textbook. In other words, the professor in my college is still free to point out errors and untruths in the textbooks placed in the hands of his students. Hence I teach my students to recognize that the author of the foregoing paragraph is what Socrates describes as a sophist, what the French call a charlatan, and what we call a jerk. I attempt to demonstrate the spectrum of motives from black hate to white love and go on to discuss the problem of disciplined emotions, pausing on the text itself only long enough to point out that it reaches a low animal cunning appropriate to foxes but not to men, that it is the product of an "unprincipled" mind, and that this kind of teaching can be found outside the classroom in the "power" or "influence" books which are bestsellers in Jerkland.

To an educator there is no consolation at all in the knowledge that charlatans and sophists have played leading roles in every historical period. And he grows doubly disconsolate when he finds charlatanism enthroned in the seats of power and sophistry enshrined in texts. But like the physician who carries on amid the patented medicines of the day, the educator endures the present and hopes for the future. He dreams of a time when in his business the patented concept of brainwashing children and adults so that they will conform to preconceived patterns of behavior is abandoned. He looks forward to a day when men will consult the principle first and the consensus second. As of now, however, he merely endures, an eccentric figure whom the consensus-sated majority may soon eliminate from the American scene.

This article appears in its original form, "The Education of King Jerk," in "The Freeman," July, 1955



THE HUDGINS FAMILY — l to r: Ruth Bahr Hudgins, '38; Carol Virginia, 15; Joan Ellen, 11; Clarence V., '28; A.M., '29; "Beauregard," age 6. The Hudgins were married in 1929. Ruth switched from the conservatory to the college and graduated as a Music Major in 1938. At present she is on the staff of the Elizabeth Morgan Morrow Nursery School of Smith College.

That The Deaf May Hear

By Clarence V. Hudgins, '28, A.M., '29

Director of Research, Clarke School for the Deaf

ALMOST ALL my professional life has been spent in a school for the education of deaf children. My chief concerns are with the technical problems related to their oral education, and with the training of teachers of the deaf. Oral education means that deaf children are taught to speak their native language intelligibly and to understand speech by means of lip-reading, and thus can communicate orally. By means of oral education, deaf children acquire intelligible speech and a facility in speech perception. It has been my job in the Clarke School for the Deaf to run a research program studying the technical problems related to speech development and speech perception, and to apply the pertinent contributions of experimental phonetics, psychology, acoustics and electronics to these problems.

Deafness is usually associated with mutism. Children who are born deaf (or who become deaf before speech develops) never learn to speak unless taught by special methods. Normal children acquire speech and language by imitation and a minimum of formal teaching. Hearing plays an all important role in this development. Deafness shuts out the world of sound, and the deaf child, although physically capable of producing all of the sounds of speech, never learns to talk unless taught by special methods. At its best, the speech of the deaf is highly intelligible but usually lacking in natural voice quality. The possibilities for better speech have increased over the years, due, in part, to an increased knowledge of methods of teaching, in

part to the fact that education of deaf children begins at an earlier age, and in part to the development and use of hearing aids.

During the early history of the education of the deaf in America the primary means of communication was through the language of manual signs, and the finger alphabet. This method is efficient but restrictive. Sign language enables deaf people to communicate with one another and with those who know the language. But this is a highly private form of communication, and sets the deaf apart from the world of hearing around them.

In the middle of the last century a few teachers in scattered localities believed that deaf children should be taught speech and lip reading and, in their private classes, began the oral education of the deaf in the United States. The success of one such teacher, Harriet B. Rogers of Chelmsford, Massachusetts, led to the founding of The Clarke School for the Deaf at Northampton, in 1867. She became the principal of the first permanent oral school for the deaf in America. As a result of this pioneering, and in spite of opposition from advocates of established methods, half of the pupils in schools for the deaf in America were being taught speech and lip-reading by the end of the 19th Century. By 1950, nine out of ten were receiving speech instruction.

Pupils now enter Clarke at the age of four. They have little or no speech and no language when they enter. At once they begin to acquire these communication skills and continue through

the eighth grade; this requires ten to twelve years. The first two to three years are devoted almost entirely to the acquisition of speech, lip reading, and language development. Upon graduation, pupils enter either high schools or vocational schools, where they compete successfully with hearing students. After high school a smaller proportion enter colleges and universities.

It was discovered early in the history of the school that teachers skilled in speech teaching were not available; hence it was necessary for the school to train its own. A Teacher Education Department was therefore established, which has continued over the years. A group of twelve to fourteen college graduates are trained each year. Those who wish may spend an additional year and earn a Masters Degree in Education, either at Smith College or at the University of Massachusetts. The March 1955 issue of *National Geographic Magazine* has an informative article on The Clarke School and its educational methods.

Deafness is a rather general term used to describe a range of auditory impairment extending from mildly hard-of-hearing to complete hearing loss. Usually a remnant of hearing is present. Recent developments in hearing aids now make it possible to exploit this remnant in the education of deaf children. Schools for the deaf in every state provide for children who have severe to profound impairment, while mildly hard-of-hearing children with the help of hearing aids and special instruction usually attend the public schools. The population of any

school for the deaf is therefore made up of (1) profoundly deaf children (60 to 70%) and (2) severely hard-of-hearing (30 to 40%). The profoundly deaf never hear speech, either their own vocal sounds or the speech of others. The partially deaf may have developed a kind of jargon as a result of imperfect hearing. The first task of the teacher is to build up speech in the profoundly deaf, and to reconstruct the speech efforts of the partially deaf.

For years educators of the deaf have sought to recruit the remnant of hearing present in nearly all deaf children as an aid in the educational procedures. The development of hearing aids over the years has been followed with interest by educators and applied in their work. It was soon manifest that even a small remnant of hearing could be most useful in speech and language development, as well as in speech perception. Rapid developments in acoustics and electronics and the application of these in communication have especially advanced the methods of teaching the deaf. Improved audiometers enable us to evaluate accurately the degree of hearing loss. Modern electronic hearing aids and persistent methods of auditory training have become standard equipment and standard procedures in nearly all schools for the deaf.

Until the advent of the modern high-powered hearing aid the profoundly deaf were beyond the reach of auditory stimulation. Such hearing aids as were available were of use only to the partially deaf. By means of improved equipment and research programs, it has now been demonstrated that even the most profoundly deaf pupils may benefit from auditory stimulation. Our studies indicate that while vision still remains the primary sensory avenue for the profoundly deaf it can be ably supplemented by auditory stimuli. The happy result is that by looking and listening simultaneously the deaf pupil is able to reach a higher level of speech perception than is ever possible by lip reading alone. In addition, the voice quality and the rhythm of speech become more natural.

The above rather sketchy description is presented to help clarify and provide a setting for some personal matters.

I came to Clarke School for the Deaf in the fall of 1932. I had just received a Ph.D. in psychology at Clark University (no connection) and was on the look-out for a teaching or research position in the field of experimental psychology. But I found that even experienced people were job hunting, and nothing turned up. I learned of the Clarke School and something of its work through one of its graduates

who was at that time a student at Clark University. It seemed to me that here was a place where one might be able to set up a research program that would be rather interesting, especially since I had already developed a broad interest in speech problems as a result of my graduate studies at Oberlin (A.M., '29). After I had made several visits to the school, the Board of Corporators agreed to give me an opportunity to show what could be done. I eagerly accepted the offer, which provided a stipend of five hundred dollars per year and maintenance for my wife and myself. The following year, I received a raise of one hundred dollars, and in addition Mrs. Hudgins, who had just completed the Teacher Education Course, was given a position as a teaching assistant in an experimental pre-school program just initiated.

By the end of the second year, I had demonstrated my interest, and some of the possibilities. I had published the first of a long list of papers, my salary was elevated to a reasonable level, and I had an appointment as Research Associate in Experimental Phonetics. I shall always be grateful to the Clarke Board for its confidence in me and for the opportunity given me to enter upon an interesting field of endeavor.

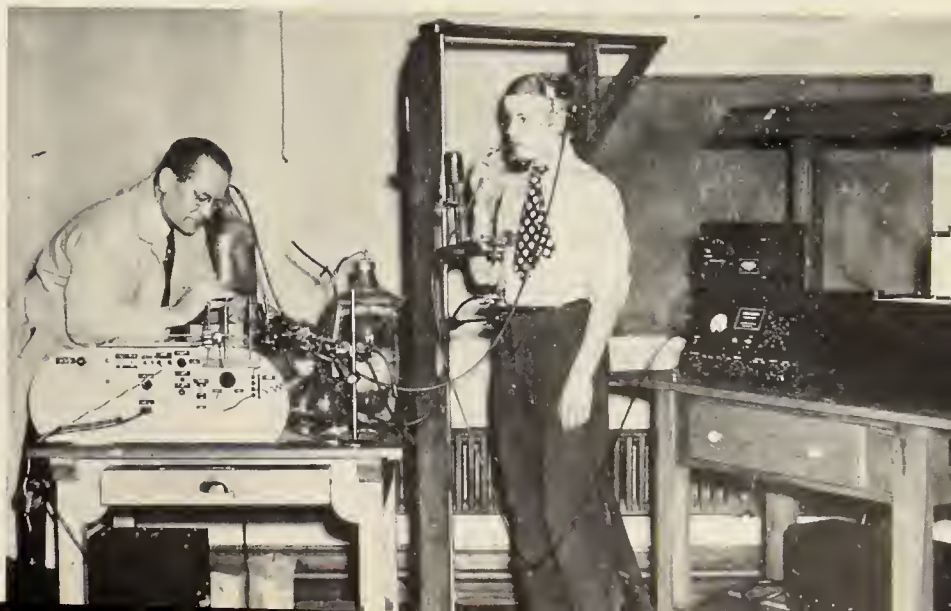
I have continued to the present in a job that has been most rewarding. During this time, I have been granted two leaves of absence. I spent a year (1936-1937) at Oberlin as instructor in psychology with the opportunity to work with the late Professor Stetson in experimental phonetics. For a three year period during the war (1943-1946) I was Research Fellow at Harvard University, where I participated in a program designed to study the problems in the rehabilitation of deafened service men.

I should like to mention here that

a decisive factor which governed my decision to apply for a position in a school for the deaf was my interest in experimental phonetics which began at Oberlin under the inspiration and guidance of Professor Stetson. Certainly no other single experience has been as influential in shaping my career. I must add that Professor Stetson was of considerable assistance, also, in my obtaining the original appointment at Clarke. He also loaned me the essential apparatus for the establishment of a phonetics laboratory during the first year, and his interest in my work continued until his death in 1950.

During my senior year at Oberlin I decided to do graduate work in psychology. While pursuing a major in philosophy, I had taken Professor Hartson's introductory psychology, which whetted my interest and which led me to elect, during my senior year, "Pete" Cole's Comparative and Genetic courses. Upon graduation I accepted a graduate fellowship at Oberlin and returned to work for my A.M. in the department of psychology. It was during this graduate year that I discovered Professor Stetson's Phonetics Laboratory and learned something of his work in this field. He permitted me to take his special course in Motor Phonetics, and to undertake a thesis problem under his direction. This study was later supplemented by additional data and published under our joint authorship. I still receive an occasional request for reprints of this study, 25 years later. I accepted an appointment as graduate assistant in the Department at Oberlin for the following year and continued the work with Stetson in experimental phonetics. In the fall of 1930, I went to Clark University, continued my studies in psychology, and received my Ph.D. in June, 1932.

PHONETICS LABORATORY showing devices for studying both the motor and the acoustic aspects of speech. At the left, the Kymograph records the speech breathing movements, the jaw and lip movements, while the sound Spectrograph (right) records the acoustic aspects of speech. Records are later analyzed and compared with those of normal speakers.



The President's Window

THE EIGHTEEN MONTHS of the Development Campaign afforded me the unprecedented opportunity to become acquainted with the Oberlin alumni body. All in all I met with alumni in forty-six cities, from border to border and from coast to coast. It was a thrilling experience and one from which I have profited greatly. Mrs. Stevenson and I deeply appreciate all the courtesies which were extended to us on so many occasions by so many different people. They will always remain as very pleasant memories.

It was at the Alumni Convocation, held as part of the dedication of the Hall Auditorium in October, 1953, that the College announced a carefully considered ten-year Development program for \$10,665,000. Our first goal was to be \$1,500,000, of which \$1,380,000 was designated for the Henry Churchill King Memorial Humanities and Social Science Building.

We are proud to announce that as of August 31, 1955, a total of \$1,256,607 has been pledged by 7,158 persons toward the King Building Goal (not including a challenge pledge of \$75,000 from the Kresge Foundation) and \$191,083 additional has been pledged by 48 persons toward other parts of our ten-year program. This represents a magnificent effort on the part of 7,206 individuals and we are indeed most grateful to each of you.

There are some Oberlin alumni and friends who for one reason or another have not yet made a gift or pledge. We hope that they will now do so promptly in order that our final showing will include as large a group of the Oberlin family as possible. And, most important, your gifts will count doubly because they will enable us to claim the generous pledge of \$75,000 for the King Building, made by the Kresge Foundation on a matching basis.

Of special significance is the fact that such a large part of the total sum has come from gifts under one thousand dollars. Basing our expectations on the extensive experience of our fund-raising advisors, we looked for only about 20% of our total from those making gifts under \$1000. In our campaign, however, these latter donors have pledged 44.4% of the goal, or a total of \$675,000. We welcome this as a widespread expression of confidence in Oberlin.

Thinking back over the total experience of the campaign and the many meetings which it occasioned,

I find these impressions uppermost in my mind:

The Oberlin alumni body is second to none in its loyalty to its College. This was demonstrated again and again by deeds and by words. Many of you went to great personal trouble and inconvenience to make the meetings and the Campaign results the great success they were.

Oberlin people, generally, are not the "old school tie" type. Your loyalty to your College is not blind; it is based on an understanding, appreciation and respect for what Oberlin is and what it represents. Thus, your regard for your College is especially meaningful because it is rational rather than emotional. But, clearly, if this interpretation of the relationship between many of its alumni and the College is correct, it is incumbent upon us to maintain the standards and ideals on which that loyalty has been predicated. This is an impelling and, I think, a healthy challenge to all of us connected with the College.

Despite the fact that the Development Campaign made it possible for many alumni to become better acquainted with the present-day College, there are a good many of you who still lack up-to-date information about Oberlin, its personnel and its present day program and policies. To the extent that this is because the College's channels of information to alumni have been inadequate or ineffective, we hope that specific improvements will be made during the coming months. Our Alumni Club program

needs rejuvenation. There are well-organized, active clubs but there are also some which are anemic. There are localities where clubs should exist but do not. The Development Campaign demonstrated that Oberlin people will respond enthusiastically, if there is a worthwhile job to be done. I take it, however, that quite a few of you are too preoccupied with important affairs to go to meetings just for the sake of attending them. Our new alumni secretary, Les Fishel, is aware of this problem and plans to aid the various clubs in evolving interesting projects and programs. We plan to make more faculty and other speakers from the campus available for local club meetings. We hope that more alumni will become active in fostering closer relationships with schools, in student recruitment and selection, as well as in fund raising and the like. Such help is invaluable and badly needed.

Oberlin College has the advantage of a great tradition for a high standard of liberal education in all three of its Departments. It has a fine endowment. However, Oberlin—along with all private institutions—faces increasingly serious problems in the years ahead. Our faculty salaries are good but they should be better. Too many of our buildings are outdated and expensive to operate. Even now, inflationary pressures are making it difficult to balance our budget. Although we have been forced to raise our tuition several times in recent years, we fear that further increases will deprive



A. E. Princehorn

Oberlin in Print

A FREE SOCIETY: AN EVALUATION OF CONTEMPORARY DEMOCRACY. By Mark M. Heald, '14. 546 pp. New York, New York: Philosophical Library, Inc. \$4.75.

Reviewed by
P. THOMAS FENN, JR.

This book is written by a democratic idealist and is therefore concerned with the inspirations of democracy and with their origins. "Democracy is a matter of attitude and of manners and of spirit, more than a method of civil law and political power," p. 428. The purposeful nourishment of the roots of faith in democracy is the fundamental requirement for meeting successfully the tensions caused by the rapid economic and social changes of the contemporary period, and for resisting victoriously the attacks of fascism and communism. This thesis is developed with sobriety and with disciplined thinking in the last four chapters of the book. The six preceding ones analyze the nature of the democratic idea and indicate its historical background. The fervor of the campaigning, which spoils so much of the

writing on this subject, is missing here.

Mr. Heald seems to belong easily to the school which includes Ernest Barker and Joseph A. Schumpeter, though his analysis of the psychological drives which the wars have let loose is closer to that of Reich Fromm. He faces without fear the fact that modern capitalism is not the capitalism which underlay the democratic revolutions of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries and which provided the libertarian ideals of the nineteenth. He holds that the confusions and fears which beset the democratic way of life today are due to the inexperienced efforts which democracy is making to adapt itself to the socialized concept of the welfare state. The problem is to preserve the essence of freedom while attaining at the same time social security. The answer is not to be found in ingenious institutional mechanisms but in the spirit of the individual himself.

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CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY: AN ECUMENICAL APPROACH. By Walter Marshall Horton. 304 pp. New York, New York: Harper & Brothers. \$3.75.

Reviewed by
JOSEPH FERGUSON KING

Christian Theology: An Ecumenical Approach by Walter Marshall Horton, Henry Churchill King professor of Christian Theology in Oberlin College and the Graduate School of Theology, is the author's fourteenth book and is his most complete statement not only of his own theological position but also of the issues and problems of the theology generally. It is written, as all Dr. Horton's books are with literary grace and clarity, penetrating insight into historic Christian thought and sympathetic awareness of the moods and strains of modern people.

This book moves out into three concentric circles, two of smaller but equal radius and the third of longer radius. The larger circle includes the main points and issues of Christian theology: the nature of God and his relation to the world, the nature of Christ and his work, the nature of man and the human quandary, the nature of the church and the means of grace, and finally the nature of Christian hope!

This is therefore a systematic theology which covers the whole field with a detail that is adequate for the formal student of theology and with a verve

and a massive command of the field that will carry the interested layman with enthusiasm.

But within this larger circle two smaller circles of interest are explored! One is the author's own ecumenical interest sharpened and whetted by his participation in a series of world-wide Christian conferences since the First World War. The issues of both agreement and disagreement, Professor Horton traces and delineates not as if they were things in themselves or as a historian of the ecumenical movement, but as these bear upon the main and central issues of theological thought. Dr. Horton does more, however, than trace and indicate the points of agreement and disagreement; he indicates the way in which these differences may be, if not resolved, at least held in fruitful tension. Here the author's skill and genius as a mediating theologian is superbly evident.

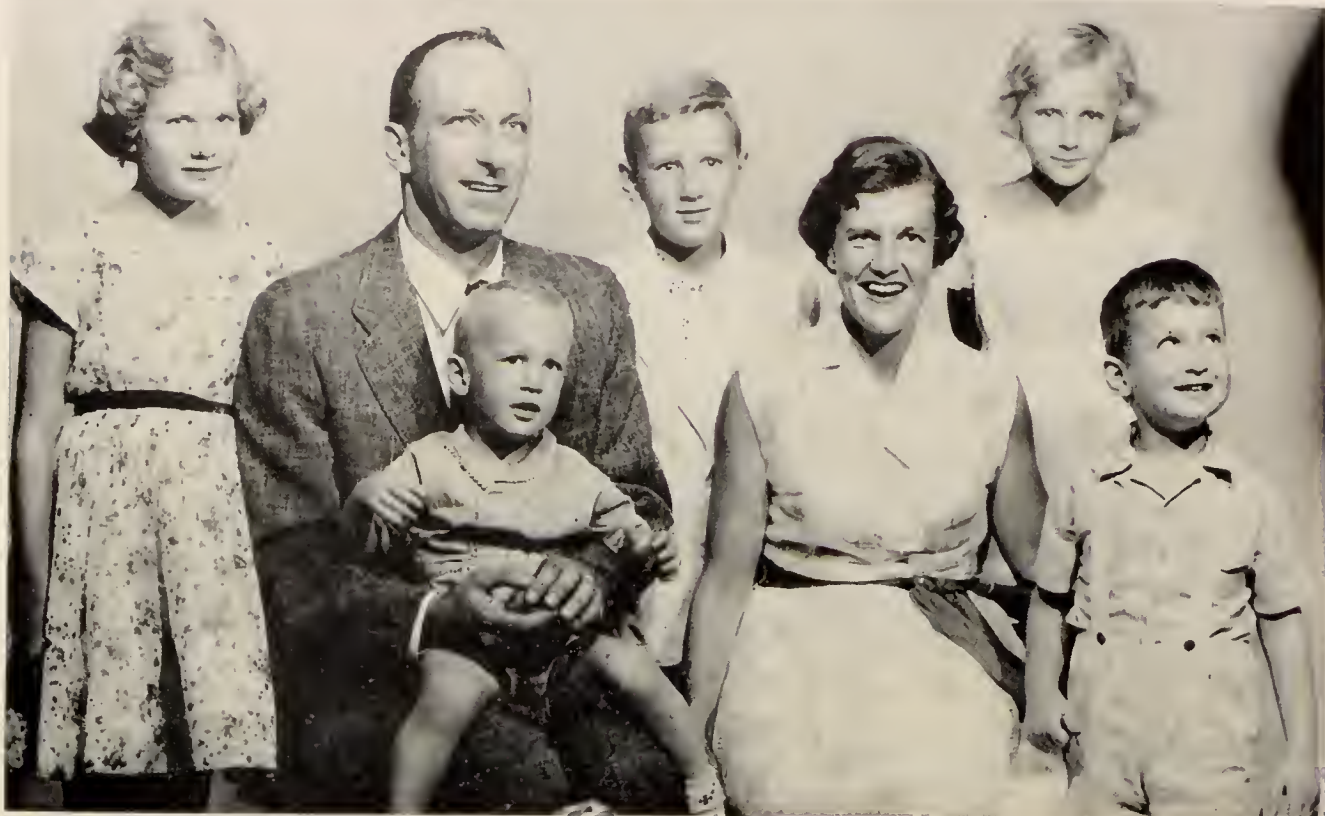
The second smaller circle of interest within the whole is Dr. Horton's concern with the "condition of perplexed belief, or, believing unbelief" of our time — a condition to which he speaks with both sympathy and conviction. He believes that there is a "universal necessity of religion" which grows out of persistent human needs. These needs are mainly three: "the need for an ultimate object of trust and devotion; the need for a final goal of hope and endeavor, the need for a concrete connection between trust and hope, devotion and endeavor, whereby power from above . . . is released into the strain of daily life, and man moves toward his goal with aid of his God."

If this book had dealt with any one of these three circles of interest with the penetration it does, it would have been a significant book. That it deals with all three, marks it as a rare book that may be commended heartily and with unusual enthusiasm.

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LES FISHEL, '43, IS NEW ALUMNI SECRETARY



FACING THE CAMERA for the first time in Oberlin — and looking very happy about it — are Les and Barbara Fishel with their five children. Reading left to right they are Lynne, Leslie, John Jefferson, Timothy, Barbara, Lesley and Andrew.

LESLIE H. FISHEL, JR., '43, new Executive Secretary of the Oberlin Alumni Association (See "We Think" on page 3) comes to his new office from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, where he was an assistant professor of history.

Les has both his A.M. (1947) and Ph.D. (1954) degrees from Harvard University (field of concentration American history), and has been on the faculty at M.I.T. since 1948. He taught in the Humanities Department, which had the responsibility of developing a core curriculum for undergraduates and of offering advanced courses in specially marked out areas for upperclassmen. His doctoral thesis was written on the subject "The Negro and the North, 1865-1900, A Study in Race Discrimination." "My interest in the history of the Negro in this country," said Les, "undoubtedly stemmed from my Oberlin experience."

During the war Les was in the Navy, Commanding Officer (Lt. j.g.) of a little 110 foot subchaser ("We chased echoes but no subs") operating in the Atlantic.

As an undergraduate at Oberlin Les was editor of the *Hi-O-Hi* (his yearbook won All-American distinction), treasurer of the student council, and cheerleader. "I was also," said Les, "on more third string varsity teams than anyone else in my class."

Possessed of tremendous energy and a ready wit, Les has

entered upon his new duties with vigor and enthusiasm. Already he is a familiar figure as he strides across the campus. As a matter of fact, this is an understatement. For although Les has been on campus only about six weeks it is getting increasingly difficult to find someone who has not met him — among town merchants as well as faculty and administration — all of whom are enthusiastic about his appointment to the office.

He is full of ideas for developing a healthy, active Alumni Association. He is anxious to extend the services of the Association to all alumni, alumni clubs, and classes within the limits of the budget. "The Alumni Association," he commented, "has for its purpose the furthering of the interests of Oberlin College. This leaves plenty of room for healthy disagreement; but not a mite for conflict."

He hopes, this year, to visit various alumni clubs and get acquainted, and he is looking forward to a big Homecoming Celebration on October 14-16.

His wife, Barbara G. Richards, '41, is the daughter of Mr. O. M. Richards, '10, and Gertrude Hocking Richards, k'10. Les and Barbara (Les calls her "Butch") have five children: Lynne, 10; Timothy (Timmy) 8; Lesley (Lee) 6½; Andrew (Andy) 3½; and John Jefferson (Jeff) 2. They will make their home at 148 North Main Street, just south of Keep Cottage.

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TOWN LOOKS AT GOWN

By Charles A. Mosher, '28

State Senator (Ohio),

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UNIQUE in its founding as a single, unified community, Oberlin long since has become like other college towns. College and Colony have gone their separate ways, increasingly so in recent years. Inevitably town-gown friction has sprung up. This is an obviously sketchy discussion of that friction, written largely from the town point of view.

When an Oberlin resident voices a specific complaint, real or imagined, against the College it usually concerns the College's buying practices or employment practices. Anti-gown feeling is most apparent among those who are, or have been, dependent on the College economically. Even though its wages have increased substantially, the College can't pay as much as do the industrial plants to which so many local residents now commute. That results in invidious comparisons. Too, the College has become increasingly institutionalized, bound up in red tape, more impersonal in most business dealings.

Another reason for local complaint is the fact that of the \$16,000,000 in real estate valuation in Oberlin City (as appraised by the county auditor) only \$9,500,000 is taxable. Most of that 40 percent which is exempt from taxes is college property. This means a very low valuation per resident in taxable property. Oberlin people, however, demand high standards for the community, good schools and modern municipal services, and these require a high expenditure per resident. "Oberlin has a champagne appetite, but only a beer income," as one local banker phrases it. Result, Oberlin property is taxed at a higher rate than any other Ohio city.

It is only human for taxpayers to "gripe" at that situation and blame the College, but to ignore the unusual advantages available to Oberlin residents because of the College, advantages which, to the discerning, make this a most desirable community in which to live. Surprisingly few seem really to treasure those advantages: the library and art museum, hospital, hotel, Hall auditorium and arboretum, the golf course, the plethora of concerts, lectures, exhibits, debates, and stage productions which are such a vital part of campus life, and which every one of us may attend for little or no admission charge. Perhaps because of the very

surfeit of events, the average local resident comes to ignore campus life. To him it is a world apart.

How have town and college grown further apart in recent years? Fewer students live or eat in private houses, or have part time jobs in town. Less college buying is done locally. The college owns many houses and apartments and rents to faculty families. Fewer faculty stay here long enough to become well acquainted. Few local youngsters attend the College, and fewer enroll from nearby communities. There has long been no local representation on the College's Board of Trustees.

Increasingly, the College has become a self-sufficient society within the community. There is a special community of interest within a faculty which makes for introversion and self sufficiency. The academicians' mutual concerns and activities, the peculiar rhythm of the academic day and year, tend to a slant on life different from that of their neighbors. A faculty man is only human, too, each with urgent personal ambitions and financial needs, struggling for academic recognition, tenure, promotion, publication in the right journals, advantageous supplemental employment, lucrative lectureships or research assignments, a reputation with good students, publication of his own texts, opportunities for further study and travel. Reputation and "contacts" can mean everything in the academic world! There also are departmental or factional rivalries, plus the constant need to hold a united front in dealing with administration and trustees, the students, the alumni, the public. This is a complex, absorbing, clock 'round, year 'round activity. No wonder faculty members, and wives, tend to flock together, whether for mid-morning coffee gossip or evening bridge.

Adding to this trend toward separation is the recent rapid growth of the town. Proportionately fewer residents are connected with the College or dependent on it in any way. Oberlin is becoming a commuter town.

Even more isolated from local residents are the students. The few with whom we become acquainted are usually friendly, attractive, and exceptionally interesting youngsters. But the town views them most of the time as a nebulous group, a rather sloven and occasionally boorish group. They are not at their best on the streets. Few in town have any adequate or accurate conception of what the students really are doing or dreaming.

And rare is the student who knows much of the real Oberlin community. He hasn't time. Unfortunately, he may be here four years and aware of the townsfolk only on a disagreeable basis.

... as when he is tagged for some violation of bike regulations, or when he is the target for some local boys' rowdiness. Even those activities in which a few students serve the town so well, singing in church choirs, helping in scout troops, Sunday School classes and at the Children's Home, their contacts are limited. Probably the healthiest student-community relationship is established by the baby sitters!

The exceptional intellectual qualifications expected of Oberlin faculty and students and the very nature of their scholarly regimen produces a group marked as different. And like any minority group, "the College" can easily be misjudged by the rest of us because of the few peculiar individuals always evident on campus.

The intellectual ferment on campus can be another cause of suspicion and misunderstanding. Often this is because the outsider hears only incomplete or inaccurate echoes of it. Every college should cultivate an avid interest in new ideas and beliefs that challenge the old, an emphasis on that which is humane and ideal, quick recognition and denunciation of that which is crass, ugly, cruel or repressive, a reaching for Utopia. There should be a climate conducive to questioning, testing, criticism, skepticism, and dissent, as well as the forming of solid convictions, enthusiastic loyalties, valid standards of moral and esthetic values, humane attitudes, high personal aspirations. Faculty and students should feel free to express themselves vigorously and openly in honest argument and exposition, to experiment and create.

This is mostly as it should be on the Oberlin campus. But inevitably at times some residents of the community just outside the campus will take a dim and irritated view of such goings on. In political leanings, too, there tends to be friction. The town remains Republican by large majorities, but recently many of the most vocal faculty members and students have been New Dealers.

From long habit and ingrained conscience the Oberlin community still will tolerate more intellectual and moral agitating than most, but the bulk of our population is essentially like that of any other town; we have made up our mind and are settled in our ways, and we don't enjoy being reformed... especially "by outsiders." The campus remains closer to Oberlin's 19th century reformist spirit than does the town.

But there is some tendency on the campus toward provincialism in reverse, to read only the *New York Times*, to be very knowledgeable and sophisticated concerning events in Washington, New York, London or Peiping,

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The Faculty



EDWARD F. BOSWORTH, '16

Edward F. Bosworth, Dean of College Men since 1927, has been granted a year's leave of absence for reasons of health before his retirement in August, 1956. Dean "Ned," Oberlin's first full-time Dean of Men, is a son of the late Edward Increase Bosworth, Dean of the Graduate School of Theology.

A graduate of the class of 1916, Dean "Ned" received his D.B. from the Graduate School of Theology in 1923. He held pastorates in Grand Forks, North Dakota and Grinnell, Iowa, before coming to Oberlin.

He was chief promoter of the Chance Creek project as an outing place for Oberlin men, and through the years he has worked unstintingly to better the living conditions of the students and offer them wise counsel and guidance in their personal problems. An "O" man himself, Dean "Ned" is an enthusiastic follower of sports. His two sons are Oberlin graduates — Edward, '49, and Thomas, '52.

Dean Holdeman, '38, former associate Dean of Men, was appointed to take over the work as Dean.

Receive National Foundation Grant for Geological Research

Mrs. Kathryn H. Clisby, research associate, and Professor Fred Foreman of the department of geology and geography, have received a grant of \$22,000 in support of continuing research entitled "Pleistocene Stratigraphy and Chronology."

Begun under the supervision of Dr. Paul B. Sears, former chairman of the department of botany, this study of climatic changes and its related research on the presence of corn pollen has won national recognition for the College among earth scientists.

Tom Harris, '33, Accepts Position in Florida

Thomas E. Harris, Executive-Secretary, resigned, of Alumni Association, has accepted a position in the Molded Fibre Glass Boat Division of the Molded Fibre Glass Body Company of Ashtabula, Ohio. He will represent them in Florida, where he will travel throughout the state in placing their product. Robert S. Morrison, '30, is president of the company, which also furnishes the bodies for the Chevrolet Corvettes. This is a brand new product being put out on the market for the first time.

The Harrises will make their home at 934 Eldorado, Clearwater Beach, Florida, and send out a cordial welcome to all Oberlin alumni and friends to visit them in their new residence.

Dr. Thomas LeDuc, professor of history, gave a series of lectures at the University of Kansas August 15 to 25 at the conference on The Nature and Writing of History. Titles of his lectures were: "Historians as Optimists," "Total History: The Unity of Culture," "Local History," "The Intellectual Bankruptcy of Western History," and "Historiography of the Public Lands."

Professor LeDuc, on leave of absence for 1955-56, will be visiting professor of history at the University of Wisconsin.

Helen Domonkos, assistant professor of physical education, spent several weeks in June and July visiting the Folk Dance Camp at Bryant Pond, Maine, and the Archery Camp at Roxbury, Vermont. In August she took part in the Lloyd Shaw's Square Dance Fellowship in Colorado Springs, Colo. Three sections of co-education folk dance classes will be offered during the coming year, with Mrs. Domonkos and Barbara Calmer, Lysle Butler, '25, and Dan Kinsey, m, '35, conducting.

Dr. George T. Scott, professor of zoology, has received a grant of \$5,000 to continue his research program, which is being supported by the United States Atomic Energy Commission. Dr. Scott's project is entitled "Studies in the Physiology of Ion Accumulation and Electrolyte Balance in Living Cells."

John D. Baum, instructor in mathematics, has been awarded a grant of \$3,600 by the National Science Foundation for the support of research entitled "Topological Dynamics."

Eight faculty members were awarded grants-in-aid of study and research by the College for the summer of 1955. Intended to encourage productive work and professional development, similar grants will be awarded each year, according to George E. Simpson, professor of sociology and anthropology and chairman of the Committee on Productive Work.

Recipients of these awards are: Herbert S. Gershman, instructor in Romance languages and literature; Ellen Johnson, '33, assistant professor of fine arts; John W. Kneller, assistant professor of romance languages and literature; Barry McGill, instructor in history; Edward H. Mattos, assistant professor of pianoforte; Heinz Politzer, assistant professor of German; Kay T. Rogers, assistant professor of zoology; and Joseph R. Wood, assistant professor of music theory.



CLYDE EMOR GILBERT

Clyde Emor Gilbert, assistant superintendent of buildings and grounds since 1931, retired on July 1 of his own volition, after 34 years of service to Oberlin. For the next six months he plans to live at 754 Mandaday Avenue, Clearwater Beach, Florida, where he and his wife, Harriett, '18, welcome Oberlin friends and classmates. They leave for Florida on November 1.

"My work is really my hobby," said Clyde, when asked how he intended to spend his leisure time. "When we come back to Oberlin I intend to go into construction work and follow my work-hobby of building."

Clyde and Harriet have two sons, Don, '51, who married Barbara McCullough, '53, Dick, just out of the air force and now a student at the University of Florida.

Through the years Clyde has quietly and efficiently played a major role in the complex problems of college maintenance and has seen an expanding buildings and grounds crew reach a total of 129 to take care of Oberlin's \$10,000,000 plant.

Oberlin in Sports

"OBERLIN IS CERTAINLY a friendly school," said Betty Foster McCue, new head of the department of physical education for women, who took up her duties the second semester of last year. "Already I know more people than I knew in my 2½ years at Nebraska."

One suspects that it isn't entirely Oberlin, for Betty McCue is a very warm, friendly person with an attractive personality and a youthful appearance that gives the lie to her years of experience. A graduate from the University of Pittsburgh, (1943), with an A. M. degree from MacMurray College (Illinois), 1948, and a Ph.D. from the University of Iowa (1952) Betty McCue came to Oberlin with some executive experience behind her, for she was acting chairman of the department of physical education for women at the University of Nebraska during the summer of 1954.

Already she has left her mark on the department at Oberlin, although to hear her talk, the rather extensive changes that have been made are the result of a combined staff project, in which she carried only a minor role.

Requirements for a major in physical education have been cut from 40 hours to 37; the instructional level in the practical courses such as archery, hockey, and swimming has been placed on the basis of skill, rather than class registration, so that a freshman skilled in tennis, for example, would find herself grouped with sophomores, say, with a comparable ability; coeducational courses in badminton and archery have been added, in addition to the co-educational folk and square dancing now in the program; and a move is on foot to further more intercollegiate competition for women through Sports Days, with the College playing host to two or more other schools in a combined competitive and social program.

All this, says Betty is merely bringing Oberlin, one of the pioneers in the field of physical education for women, in line with modern educational trends.

Coeducational classes, tried out last spring proved to be startlingly popular — almost too popular, commented Betty. Enrollments of from 60 to 80 in a class will have to be pared down to a maximum of 40, simply as a matter of teaching expediency.

A Sports Day is being planned for October, in which two or more nearby colleges will be invited to bring

Betty McCue Heads Women's Physical Education Department



teams to Oberlin to compete in a round robin arrangement in at least two different sports. This is a real innovation, for never before have the Oberlin women competed as a team with the women of another institution. Recreational swimming and a planned social event will be part of the Sports Day.

"I like Oberlin very much," offered Betty, when we were talking with her in her apartment (she is about to move into her new house in College Park). "The students have a spirit and enthusiasm beyond that shown in some of the large schools." Another thing impressed her. Instructed not to lift her legs so far out of the water in executing a flutter kick, one of the Oberlin freshmen replied, "Oh, I see. That breaks the surface tension of the water and so would impede my progress." "That," said Betty McCue, "just about floored me!"

—Kilroy

Butler Takes Charge

"DEAR COACH BUTLER," the letter began. "I want to earn my letter, but football takes so much time and effort. Do you have a tennis team?" The writer was an incoming freshman.

Lysle K. Butler, '25, new head of the men's physical education department, has a slot for this request marked "Easy Varsity 'O'." As we were talking about this the other day, he leaned back in his chair and said: "What that kid didn't know was that there is NO easy way to earn a letter. Athletics at Oberlin are no different from any other activity. You work for what you

get. The Oberlin tradition demands both individual and team effort. The rewards go to those who best combine the two." He stopped for a moment, and then continued, "The P.E. staff likes Oberlin for this emphasis. We intend to keep it that way."

Lysle feels strongly about keeping athletics in perspective as one more educational activity in an educational center. Take, for example, the innovations which he and Betty McCue, new head of the women's physical education department, have introduced to give co-education a greater emphasis. Working closely together, they have added new courses for P.E. majors and consolidated others for greater efficiency.

Ever since he joined the department in 1930 Lysle has insisted on high educational standards. To demonstrate that objectives in physical education were attainable, he set up a sustained series of controlled experiments with Oberlin students — all of which is written up in his Ph.D. thesis at Ohio State (1947). A P.E. Program *does* have specific educational objectives; and the degree of accomplishment can be measured.

The Butler family is now in the middle of setting its own educational objectives. Nancy, who spent the last two summers as a waitress in Yellowstone Park, will be a senior at Oberlin. Jane, who performed the same duties at the Congregational Summer Assembly in Plymouth, Michigan, will enter DePauw as a freshman.

With pre-season practice coming up shortly, Lysle has football in the foreground of his mind. Tom Sherman, a senior guard from Ithaca, N. Y., will lead the Yeomen gridders this fall.

"We have a light, inexperienced team, lacking depth, and facing a rugged schedule," said Lysle. I wondered why, out loud, the football record had been mediocre in recent years. Head Coach Butler had a ready answer. "We don't entice boys to play football; and we don't coerce them." Referring back to the freshman who had asked about an "easy" letter, Lyle added, with conviction. "You have to love football to play it at Oberlin. During the week I have the entire squad on the field for an average of just about 40 minutes a day, what with late labs and other academic interruptions. A lot of our success this year will depend upon the team's spirit and the support they get from students and faculty."

He paused, thumbed through a stack of mimeographed material on the table, and then continued. "Football has become as specialized as medicine. We give the boys these handbooks (point-

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THE "OLD" OBERLIN INN in its hey-day. Replacement of the 88-year-old structure, although regarded in prospect as a college and civic improvement, turned out to be a vital necessity when demolition crews discovered main supporting beams of the structure were almost completely rotted through.

Looking Backward

BY DONALD M. LOVE, '16

FOR OVER 120 YEARS there has been an inn on the main corner at Oberlin, which is to say that Oberlin has always had an inn, for colony and college were founded together in 1833. The northeast corner of Main and College streets, then, may be considered as dedicated to hospitality and, as it has been in the past, so it promises for the future, as the new hotel-motel, with its modern lines and modern conveniences, replaces its 90-year-old predecessor distinguished chiefly for mid-Victorian charm and a certain frontier indifference to baths.

Brewster Pelton's log cabin, first erected and opened to guests on the historic site, was soon superseded by a two-story frame structure under the same ownership and management, and this building furnished Oberlin visitors for 30 years with a night's lodging and other facilities generally expected in an inn, as far as the customs and regulations of the community would allow. Liquors and tobacco were of course taboo, and tea and coffee were regarded as dubious but necessary concessions to the ways of the traveling world.

Whatever was lacking in creature comforts seems to have been compensated in the minds of patrons by the high moral tone of the inn's atmosphere. A guest in 1848 commented: "I put up at the hotel, and found no swearing, no drinking, no smoking, no noise and confusion. When called to partake of our meals, the blessing of our common Father was asked to rest upon the fruits of His bounty, and all seemed with a willing heart to say the presence of the Lord is here. May God's richest blessings rest upon those who conduct that and similar houses."

Conviviality was not impossible in such a hostelry, however, as evidenced by the fact that the Ohio Agricultural and Historical Society held a banquet at "The Oberlin House" in the same year. An even more important and interesting gathering was that held on the evening of January 11, 1859, when the inn bore the distinguished title of "The Palmer House," not derived from the famous Chicago hotel, but from the name of its current manager, Harry Palmer. This occasion was called a "Feast for Felons," and thereon hangs a tale.

The Inn and Anti-Slavery

The Fugitive Slave Law had been passed as a part of the Compromise of 1850, and thereafter runaways from the South and their would-be-apprehenders concentrated on Oberlin as a place of refuge and retrieval, respectively, since the anti-slavery sentiments of the town and college were well known.

Accordingly, in the early spring of 1858, John Price, an escaped slave, appeared in town, having landed apparently from one of the ghostly trains of the Underground Railroad which made regular stops here. Nemesis arrived the following August, in the person of Anderson Jennings of Maysville, Ky., not specifically to look for John Price, but just "for likely niggers." He steered clear of the respectable Palmer House, and put up at Chauncey Wack's Tavern on South Main, where he could meet accomplices, who were susceptible to bribes, outside the bright light of the abolitionist zeal which burned uptown. There he heard of John Price, professed to recognize him as the "property" of a Kentucky neighbor, hired a farm boy by the name of Shakespeare Boynton for \$20 to decoy Price out east of town one September day to dig potatoes, and completed the abduction somewhere in the neighborhood of the present East Oberlin Church.

Away the slave-catchers went with their captive down the Hallauer Road toward Wellington, but near Pittsfield they were seen by Seth Bartholomew, an Oberlin resident, who was posting notices of a circus, and he brought the news back to town.

A hue and a cry was quickly raised and a posse organized to advance to Wellington, a'horseback, on foot, or by any available vehicular means. And this was no riff-raff assembly; the leaders of the community went forth, including college professors, the superintendent of First Church Sunday school, theological students, the town lawyer and other distinguished citizens.

They found John Price and his captors at the Wadsworth House in Wellington, waiting for the first south-bound

train on the Big Four. With the help of a large group of husky farmers who had come into town to put out a fire, the rescuers overpowered the slave-catchers, packed John Price off in Simeon Bushnell's buckboard and a cloud of dust to Oberlin and safety in the home of Professor, later President, James H. Fairchild. Thence he was, a few days later, taken to the shore of Lake Erie and shipped off to Canada.

The outraged slave-catchers invoked the provisions of the Fugitive Slave Law, and caused the arrest of 21 Oberlin residents, but so slowly did the legal wheels move that summons was not served until December, and actual imprisonment in the Cleveland jail did not begin until after hearing and indictment on April 5. At this hearing, Brewster Pelton, the first Oberlin inn-keeper, was a witness.

Between the summons and the indictment, the rescuers and their sympathizers had plenty of time to hold an organization meeting and collect a fund for the defense, and this was the occasion for the Feast of Felons. "A sumptuous dinner was provided, music was furnished by the Oberlin String Band. 'Stirring sentiments and speeches' were listened to for nearly five hours."

Thus the Oberlin Inn corner has a recorded part in the famous Oberlin-Wellington Rescue. Doubtless there was further rejoicing there when, on July 7, the rescuers were finally released from jail and came back to Oberlin in glory while the Cleveland Plain Dealer wailed: "So the government has been beaten at last, justice and facts all on its side, and Oberlin, with its rebellious higher law creed, triumphant!"

Tribulations and Taboos

The Inn, under various names and managements, went on through the Civil War days, meeting the not-too-exacting requirements of the traveling public of that time. One guest, at what was then called the "Monroe House," blew out the gas, and was saved from asphyxiation only when the manager broke down the door of his room.

In 1865, Sophia Jex-Blake, the English feminist lecturer, records her reception and entertainment thus: "Begrimed as we were by our night journey, the natural instinct claimed some means of ablution. 'Can we have a room to wash our hands?' A rather wondering gaze and: 'I guess you can' precluded our introductions to a small room, not yet 'red up,' where a basin of dirty water looked unpromising for our chances."

"But our host was equal to the emergency — in a moment the said basin was seized and the contents flung out of the window. We then got a good country breakfast of eggs in

all forms (being expected to eat the boiled ones American-wise, smashed up in glasses of milk) etc. By-the-by, with the usual American inversion of words, biscuits mean hot rolls, hardly once baked, to say nothing of twice. This meal was served in a queer, low dining room, with posts supporting the ceiling, and beams running across it, the common eating room of the house."

In 1866 this second Oberlin hotel was destroyed by fire. The present structure was built in the following year. Toward its erection the citizens of the Village subscribed \$2,500, and the college a like sum. President Fairchild recorded that "Mr. Henry Viets accepted the proposal, received the money, giving to Oberlin College a mortgage on the property, the condition of which is that suitable building shall be provided, and a hotel kept in a satisfactory manner, and that all intoxicating drinks and dancing parties shall be excluded."

While Henry Viets built the main part of the Inn, A. J. Dyer built the annex where the present dining room is located. Originally the annex was divided into apartments, and not remodeled into dining room space until 1898-99. In the interim the present lounge served as a dining room. In 1883 Oberlin celebrated her semi-centennial, and in the commencement Annual of that year there appeared, under an engraving of the building, the following advertisement:

The Smith House

The house has been formerly known as the Park House, but is now The Smith House. The proprietor has taken pains to place everything about it in the cleanliest and most comfortable condition, with a view to catering especially to the transient trade.

This house has a capacity for accommodating 200 guests, and any person favoring us with their patronage will be assured of neat, comfortable rooms, and meals not only of the best the market affords but cooked, handled and served in the most cleanly manner.

The house is fast becoming a place where traveling men stop over Sunday, as Oberlin is a quiet place, with good drives to the lake, etc. Give us a call —

—Henry W. Smith

By 1895 the property had come into the possession of Marx Strauss of Elyria, who deeded it to the College, sub-

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— Hugh Robertson



AERIAL VIEW, with the Hall Auditorium in the background. The 48 rooms are all air-conditioned, as is lobby and dining rooms (left) which looks out over Tappan Square.

T WAS A GALA DAY when the New Oberlin Inn opened its doors officially on August 4, 5, and 6. All of Oberlin joined in to make the occasion a city-wide celebration. Anniversary Days it was called, with guided tours through the Inn conducted morning, afternoon, and evening. The city merchants gave away merchandise and a \$400.00 grand prize at a drawing held on Saturday night. Thousands jammed the city streets, danced on the Hall Auditorium Plaza. After the tumult had died down, the Inn reported that it had served meals to approximately 2,100 people in the 3-day Jamboree, that 3,000 visitors had taken the guided tour. Anniversary Days, the city merchants decided, ought to be an annual affair, bringing town and gown together year after year.

Co-managers of the New Oberlin Inn-Motel are Lester R. (Brad) Bradbury, host, and Richard (Dick) Homstead, chef. Neither is a stranger to Oberlin, for together they had made Oberlin's former Inn famous for fine food and hospitality over the past few years. Vivian Sherk, former manager of Kellogg Center, East Lansing, Michigan, is desk manager, in charge of the rooms and front office personnel.

Situated on Main Street, facing Tappan Square, just north of its historic predecessor, the New Inn was constructed while the Old Inn continued operation. Move from one to the other was made overnight. The corner of Main and East College Street, after demolition is completed, will be converted into a grassy park, giving the city of Oberlin really a New Look.

Completely air-conditioned throughout, the New Inn has 48 rooms, all with bath, including the luxurious VIP suite. The large main lobby can be entered either from North Main Street or from the eastern parking area. The main dining room, glass enclosed, looks out over the stately elms on Tappan Square. A second dining room, on the east side, can be used, if necessary, for private parties. Two more



New Oberlin Inn-Motel

private dining rooms, which open out into a courtyard, are served by a special warming kitchen and dining room located below.

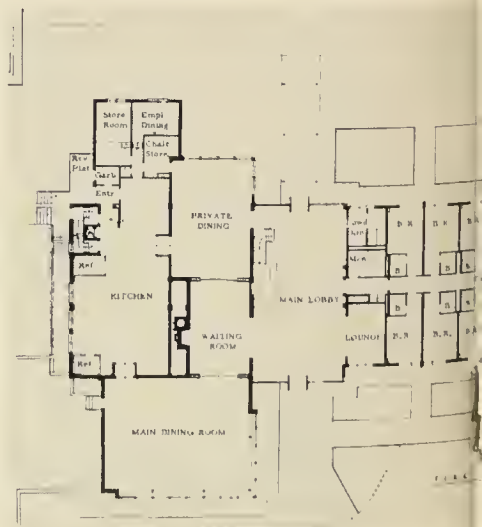
Eight stores front on East College Street, occupying space in the Old Inn building. Behind the main court or East College Street, these stores are located.

There were cries at first about "historic atmosphere" of the Old Inn, despite its modern plumbing. Those cries have already

— Ohio Fuel Gas Co.



LESTER R. (BRAD) BRADBURY, (left) "mine genial host" talks over the situation with Paul M. Fry of the T. O. Murphy Company. Coming to Oberlin, along with Dick Homstead, from Wesleyan University, "Brad" made the "Old" Oberlin Inn famous for its cuisine through all northeastern Ohio.





A. E. Princehorn

MAIN LOBBY, looking out toward the east entrance and parking lot. To the left of the desk is the main dining room.

CHLOE HAMILTON, '48, curator of the Allen Art Building, supervises the hanging of student-painted pictures in one of the new rooms. Doing the hanging is Delbert Spurlock, Art Building superintendent.



Paul Douglas

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Street to house the merchants formerly With entrances opening from the inner are modern in every respect. orical landmarks" and the "time-mellowed t; meager accommodations and lack of ready died down to a whisper. The New



Inn, brilliantly conceived, tastefully furnished, carries its own atmosphere. And when the demolition squad got started tearing down its historic predecessor, startling discoveries were made. Huge, apparently bottomless cisterns underlay Wood's Floral Shop, and the supporting beams there, and elsewhere, which held up the flooring, were almost completely rotted through. "I don't know what was holding the Inn up," said the demolition crew boss. The roof was a spongy consistency that absorbed, rather than shed, water; and one of the workmen, at the initial ceremony, leaned against one of the chimneys and almost fell with it to the street below.

So shed no tears. Time marches on. The New Oberlin Inn-Motel was constructed in the nick of time and will be here to welcome you when you come to the campus for Homecoming on October 14-16.



THE MAIN DINING ROOM on the north-west corner overlooking the campus. Already the number of patrons has far exceeded all expectations.

RICHARD (DICK) HOMSTEAD, chef, a favorite with the college students who wait on table. His cooking has won approval from Duncan Hines. Dick shares overall management duties with Lester (Brad) Bradbury.



EXTRACTS FROM early Oberlin catalogs, letters, historiana which delighted patrons of the Old Inn, are preserved in the main dining room along the east wall. From left to right they read:

"All vulgar, and profane words, quarreling and insubordination are forbidden."

"Board shall be of plain and wholesome kind."

"The students shall be furnished with only three meals a day."

"No student shall burn gunpowder without permission from the president."

"Tea and coffee and all unwholesome and expensive food shall be excluded."

"The system of education aims at the education of the whole man."

"Drones cannot be endured in this hive of industry."

"All the students, rich or poor, male and female, are required to labor four hours daily."

A TYPICAL ROOM, with TV, on the ground floor of the motel section. The door to the left opens out on the parking lot. Room prices range from \$5.50 to \$7.00 for singles; \$9.00 to \$12.00 for doubles.



Where, oh where, can you get a Christmas Dinner, complete with all the fixings, for 40 cents?

Christmas Dinner 1894

*Blue Points with Lemon
Olives, Celery, Lettuce
Baked White Fish
Roast Loin of Beef
Roast Saddle of Venison
Quince Jelly
Roast Young Goose
Sage Dressing
Baked Rabbit
Small Oyster Patties
Sherbet
Mashed Potatoes
Sweet Potatoes
Corn and Turnips
Christmas Pudding
Apple Pie Mince Pie
Lemon Pie
Cheese Cake Fruit Nuts
Coffee Cocoa Tea Milk*

Early Reference to First Oberlin Inns

In a letter dated January 7, 1835, written by Brewster Pelton, appears one of the earliest references to Oberlin's first inns. Brewster writes, in part:

"I am now situated in the township of Russia, Lorain Co., Ohio, in a young but flourishing village called Oberlin, where eighteen months since was nothing but a howling wilderness except now and then was seen the wigwam of the red man. Now we can count upwards to thirty dwelling houses within one mile and number upwards of

300 souls including the school of about 100 students many of whom are preparing to preach the Gospel on Pagan shores. . . .

"I now live in a small log house which you would think very inconvenient, especially for a public house. We are building — have got my house nearly ready to raise. Have let a job to have it finished the first of June. I designed it for a tavern house; it will be 30 by 40 on the ground, two stories high."



SITTING ROOM, with corner fireplace, of the luxurious VIP suite on the second floor. Adjoining bedroom is to the north. Air-conditioned, the VIP room was in demand during the sweltering summer days for small committee meetings.

Looking Backward

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ject to an agreement which involved the payment of an annuity for many years. In 1895 the estimated value of the property was \$50,000.

Managers and Visitors

Over the years the Inn, under its various names, has had at least 30 managers and lessees.

The list since 1900 includes A. J. Kerr, E. H. Bacon, Winfield Hach, George Fleischman, Irving Marsh, Philip Nielson, Mary Wickes, W. D. Hobbs, Mary B. Ruggles, and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rawdon. Since 1948 the present management, which happily carries over into the new building, has been that of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Bradbury and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Homstead.

The Inn has served its day and generation well. It has been a hostelry for travelers, a guest house for parents of students and for guests of the college, and a social center for the town. Its guest list has included some of the most distinguished American public figures and foreign visitors—great musicians coming to perform before Oberlin audiences, lecturers to speak in the college chapel, politicians and statesmen.

It seems probable that this hotel has entertained more famous people than any other hotel in Ohio. It would be safe to say that here ate, tarried or slept Woodrow Wilson, James Whitcomb Riley, Sir Wilfred Grenfell, John Masefield, Count Carlo Sforza, Oswald Garrison Villard, Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink, Fritz Kreisler, and dozens of others.

Here in 1908, President Henry Churchill King and Mrs. King welcomed 150 guests, members of the faculty and staff of the college, for a dinner at the beginning of his administration. Many another reception and dinner held in these rooms will be long remembered as occasions when the friendliness of Oberlin was manifested.

An Era Passes

But the time came when the building and its equipment did not seem so adequate as it had to the patrons of an earlier day. Even as early as 1914, Mr. Charles M. Hall wrote to President King with special reference to building

on the east side of North Main: "The buildings are old and out of date. With the growth of the college, and a certain amount of growth of the town, the time will come when practically all of the business property including the hotel should be replaced by modern, up-to-date buildings, even if the property is to be continued for its present uses."

"The hotel was built, I believe, between 40 and 50 years ago, and is one of the most unattractive, poorly designed, poorly decorated, unhomelike, and generally inferior that I know of anywhere in the northern states. I believe that the time will come when the college really ought to pull it down, and build a modern, convenient and architecturally beautiful hotel, either on the same site or somewhere else."

In forty years since Mr. Hall wrote his devastating letter, the old building continued to serve as best it could. It has had its special distinctions, too. It could not supply guests with rooms which they requested "near the elevator" because it had no elevator.

It could rarely meet their needs for private baths, since few of its rooms were so equipped.

Rope fire escapes, coiled under the bedroom windows, offered interesting if somewhat uncertain emergency exists.

But there were pleasant characteristics also.

The lanterns in main dining room with quotations upon them from early college books and student letters, choice dishes served on special occasions, country suppers featured by the current management.

These, and many other memories cling around the old house whose days are now numbered. In the later years especially, it has been made attractive, homelike and welcoming. Its final phase has been so gracious and pleasant that many look upon its disappearance with unfeigned sorrow.

After all, it is one of our few ties with the past. It was opened just after the Civil War. It has looked out on celebrations attending the ends of three other wars. It has contributed to other celebrations connected with the 75th and 100th anniversaries of the founding of the college, and with 88 commencements.

If a building can develop a personality, this one has some such aura about it. We cannot callously close such a history without remembering men and women who have labored here in the past to make this a place of rest and refreshment, nor those who have found here the new strength they sought.

Like an old ship, the Inn deserves to go down with colors flying, and with all of us standing at salute.

We Think . . .

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derivation of religious faith. But it is there, deeply and penetratingly: man exists to serve. These people dedicate their lives to a variety of causes through which they can serve. I know an attractive alumna whose numerous and unpublicized services to church, community, and Oberlin fall directly in this category. Were I to suggest that Oberlin owes her something she would be prettily and profoundly horrified.

I suspect also that these people who give of themselves are motivated by an abiding belief and faith in education. Not that they think in terms of educational panaceas or in terms of an alumni-run Oberlin. These ideas are foreign to them. They believe in education as an adventure in the search

for truth. They feel, and I think rightly, that Oberlin has and will continue to stress this interpretation, that in Oberlin the search for truth, social, and humane as well as scientific, has gone on unshadowed for over a century. And these people do not realize that they are exemplary indicators of the success of this educational process.

Oberlin alumni are as unique a group of college graduates as exist in the country today. This is not Alumni Office propaganda; there is all sorts of evidence on the point. Without claiming saintly unselfishness, most of us, I think, are motivated by an impulse to service, an impulse deeper in some than in others. I believe also that most of us feel strongly about the place of educa-

tion in our democracy. What is left then, to balance any ledgers as out of kilter as mine, is for the Alumni Association to provide a series of functions to which our alumni can direct their energy and enthusiasm. If the opportunity is made available, as it was in the recent Development Fund Campaign, the response will be heartening.

As the brand-new Executive Secretary I have discovered that the question of whether the College is obligated to me or vice versa is the most insignificant of equations. The important thing is whether we can provide the functions which will stimulate each of us who wants to serve, who believes in education. I think we can. What do you think?

—L. H. F., JR.

1897

Mrs. Emma Burt (Emma Hutchins) has been ill with an infected gall bladder and in the Alton Memorial Hospital, Alton, Ill. She would appreciate letters - 830 Henry St., Alton, Ill.

1901

Rev. Martin Lee Grant, t. writes: "After supplying churches in San Francisco and Houstonia, I have retired and am living in Sedalia, Mo., near my youngest son and his family. We are active in the First Congregational Church here. I will revisit three former parishes in August. Spent 3 weeks recently in Research Hospital, Kansas City."

1902

Since her husband's retirement, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kenzenkamp (Maude Porter) have built a home at Emerald Isle, near Morehead City, N. C., "150 feet from the Atlantic Ocean high tide line." They are looking forward to having time for more travel.

Conrad Sprenger is living with his daughter and son-in-law in Baldwin Boro. Pittsburgh. They visited Oberlin in August and enjoyed lunch in the new Oberlin Inn.

1905

"For 3½ years after my husband's death," writes Mrs. Helen Douglas (Helen Abbott) "I stayed with friends in Palo Alto, Calif., doing Red Cross work at the V.A. Hospital, teaching lip reading and general subjects to mental patients. I am now helping in the Well Baby Clinic at the San Francisco Hospital, where I was chief dietitian for many years."

Mrs. Blanche Miller Forbes writes from Oakland, Calif.: "For some time I took care of an elderly man of 95, but it became too hard on me, so he went to a rest home. Then I moved to an apartment house and now live alone. I am near Sears Roebuck, which is a great place. I have a kind manager and now have the freedom of my age of 77 years."

In 1954, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey W. Peek sold their property in New York State and moved to Winter Park, Fla. Mr. Peek is writing articles popularizing results of scientific research.

1909

After 39 years as a consultant and part-time physician at the Mairdale Sanatorium in Milwaukee, Dr. Laurie Allen, x. retired recently. Fellow staff members of the sanatorium honored him at a dinner in June and presented a gift to him.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pye spent the summer visiting their sons - Willard, '35, head of the geology department at North Dakota State College in Fargo, and Edward, '35, an electrical engineer at Ryan Aircraft Corp., San Diego. They have returned to Winter Park, Fla., for the winter.

1911

Harry M. Flegal writes: "In 1923 I quit teaching and went to work for the Zanesville Sand Co. In 1946 I became manager of the company and remained so until retirement on April 1 of this year. I am living very quietly with my wife, our daughter and grandchild." His new address - 649 Lenox Ave., Zanesville, O.

1912

After 34 years under the Congregational Mission Board, Susan Armstrong retired in September. She was in China from 1921-50 and at the Girls High School in Aleppo, Syria, from 1950-54, returning to the States on a health furlough in 1954. Beginning in the fall of 1956, she expects to have an apartment in Jewett City, Conn. Until then she will be travelling much of the time. She plans a trip via Florida to California and return via South Dakota during the winter and spring.

Portia Mickey is making her home at 219½ Alexander Ave., Claremont, Calif.

Mrs. Mildred Bunce Sayre and Harold P. Miller were married on June 4 in St. Paul, Minn. They are living in Long Beach, Calif. Mrs. Miller is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and received her Doctor of Education degree from Columbia in 1950.

TEN THOUSAND STRONG

by DOROTHY M. SMITH, '29



Mary Emily Sinclair, '00

Mary Emily Sinclair, professor emerita of mathematics since 1944, died Friday, June 3, at the home of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Myrtle Sinclair, in Belfast, Maine.

Born in Worcester, Mass., in 1878, Mary graduated from Oberlin College in 1900, received her A.M. from the University of Chicago in 1903, and her Ph.D. in 1908.

She came to Oberlin in 1907 as instructor in mathematics and was chairman of the department from 1939 until her retirement in 1944. From 1904-07 she was an instructor at the University of Nebraska.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi, Mary was the author of numerous articles on mathematics. A person of wide intellectual interests, she established in 1932, in memory of her father, the Mary Sinclair Loan Fund for Oberlin women to use for professional study.

She was honored in June, 1944, as the "Oberlinian of the Month." The citation read, in part: "Miss Sinclair is a teacher who modestly gives the credit for 'whatever success I may have had' to the students themselves. . . . Gracious and hospitable, she opens her home to students, and many of them remember lively discussions there of mathematics and other matters."

She adopted two children, Margaret Emily and Richard Elbridge, and is survived by them and a sister, Mrs. Rowland B. Dodge, '99, of Palo Alto, California.

1913

Harriet Becket is living in Eagle Rock, Los Angeles, and is active in musical affairs such as

the Thursday Morning Club. Both she and Louise Arnold Ford, '23, play for various social and church organizations, as members of a trio.

Mr. and Mrs. James Holmes Ford (Louise Arnold, '23) attended the Conference on the Aging at Ann Arbor, Mich., from June 27-30. Mr. Holmes is a member of the Los Angeles County (Calif.) Committee on Opportunities of the Aging. During the summer of 1954 he attended the Third Gerontological Congress in London.

Mrs. Harold Fowler (Mary Blackford) writes: "William Griswold and Peter Olney Childs of the coming freshman class took turns driving us in June from Cambridge, Mass., to Findlay, O., by way of Oberlin. It was a joy to see Oberlin and to hear the enthusiasm of two new students."

Mrs. Katherine Pollee (Katharine Ransom) is in Columbus, O. She had to give up hospital nursing in February 1954 because of her health but is now able to do limited nursing care and is taking care of an elderly woman who needs a nurse-housekeeper.

1914

Lura Humlong and James J. Kingham were married in June and sailed for Europe on July 4. Mrs. Kingham formerly taught at the Burroughs School in Toledo. On their return to the States, they will live in Evanston, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Morley Nutting have moved from Cleveland to Mentor, O. "This property is the last 12 acres of my mother's family homestead of 960 acres originally settled by the Martindale family. . . . All of our children are married - Mary in Long Island, Dorothy in Columbus, and Jeannette in Upper Sandusky. 7 grandchildren, 6 girls and 1 boy. . . . I am still with the New York Life company and have four years to go to my retirement."

1915

Charles C. Adams, husband of Florence Nichols, died early in July. Mr. Adams retired in 1946 after 43 years with the General Electric Co. in Chicago and Detroit.

1916

Harriet Meeker retired in June after 32 years as an English teacher at the high school in Fort Lee, N. J. She spent the summer on a vacation trip to Scandinavia, England, Scotland, and Holland.

1918

Frank Crall retired from the McKeesport, Pa., public schools in June. He served as chairman of the high school history department and student counselor before becoming principal of Shaw Avenue School. He then served at Shaw until last fall when he became principal of the Market Street School.

Mrs. Laura H. Emde (Laura Hines) became Residence Director of the YWCA in Toledo, O., on August 15.

Rev. Herbert F. Loomis, t. pastor of the First Congregational Church in Lorain, O., for the last 22 years, has just moved to Springfield, Mass., to become minister at the Old First Church. Mrs. Loomis is Marie Stoneman, '15.

1920

In June, Raymond G. Hengst was elected secretary of the Eaton Manufacturing Co. of Cleveland. Mr. Hengst has been closely associated with the Eaton Company for a number of years, having handled much of its legal work. He is a partner in the law firm of Hanxhaust, Inglis, Sharp & Cull.

1921

Mrs. Patricia Boyer writes: "I have been out of music for many years and am in hospital work. I was at Walter Reed in D. C., and then set up the new clinical center at Bethesda, Md., for the U.S. Public Health Service. I decided to take life a bit easier, so I'm now at the Evanston, Ill., Hospital. I understand there are many Oberlin grads along the North Shore but haven't seen any of them yet."

Rev. Kenneth C. Bunker, formerly associate pastor and director of religious education at Bethany Congregational Church in Quincy, Mass., became pastor of the Mystic (R.I.) Congregational Church in August.

Captain A. W. Loy retired on July 31, after more than 31 years of military service in the Navy Medical Corps. During his service he did advanced study in surgery, ophthalmology, otolaryngology, aviation medicine and preventive medicine. He is making his home at Grandview, Tenn., where he will manage ranch and timber lands he owns. He plans to employ local mountain boys and is looking forward to an interesting and busy retirement. The Loy's will also keep their winter home in Atlanta, Ga. They have two children, William Allen, 7, and Marian Jane, 2 years.

Ruth D. Samson completed requirements for her degree of Doctor of Education at the University of Southern California in May. Her dissertation was "A Study of Community Occupational Needs to Establish Criteria for Curriculum Study at the College Level." Miss Samson is coordinator for the Admission to Credential Program and for elementary directed teaching at the Los Angeles State College.

"Imitating Nature in Wax" is the title of a feature article in the May issue of Profitable Hobbies Magazine, describing work of Mrs. Harold W. Woodrow (Hazel Silcox) of Redlands, Calif.

1923

Norman D. Bailey, x, is administrator of the Grant Hospital in Chicago, Ill. His son, Albert, is a sophomore at Oberlin this year.

1924

Capt. Robert W. Babione recently was assigned to Washington, D. C. by the Navy. He has been a Navy medical officer for 25 years and is now executive secretary, Armed Forces Epidemiological Board, a tri-service board advising on preventive medicine, operations, and research. His three children are now 24, 21, and 17 years old. The Babiones are living in Arlington, Va.

David Heydenburk received his Master of Music degree "with distinction" from Indiana University in June. He is now assistant professor of music at Bryan University, Dayton, Tenn., where he has been teaching since 1952.

Kurt Leidecker, associate professor of philosophy at Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia, has been appointed consultant on cultural affairs with the U.S. Information Agency in Bangkok, Thailand. A lecturer, author and world traveler, Dr. Leidecker recently returned from Germany where, at the request of the State Department, he lectured to university audiences on the philosophy and spiritual relations of America, Europe and India. During 1951-52, he was a Fulbright scholar in India, where he did research on Indian philosophy and religions.

Evelyn Nossel, executive director of the South Bend, Ind., YWCA since 1944, has been appointed a field staff member of the National YWCA with headquarters in San Francisco. Her duties will include advisory work in a 13-state territory.

1925

Mrs. Evelyn Chamberlain (Evelyn Moulton) writes: "I decided I should be adventurous and travel, so I am now in San Francisco, studying adult education at the University of California and working at the x-ray department of the University Hospital in San Francisco."

In December, 1954, Ruth D. Mack moved from Chicago to Cleveland, to join the National Staff of Girl Scouts as Community Adviser. She is attached to the branch office located at 12434 Cedar Rd., Cleveland Heights.

1926

David L. Hoffman retired from teaching several years ago to devote full time to business. He is distributor for Gulf Oil, with headquarters in Chardon, O., and also has an interest in the DeSoto-Plymouth agency and a general store in Montville, O. The Hoffmans have 4 children, 3 girls and 1 boy, and live at 705 Woodmere Dr., Lake Lucerne, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.



HONORED FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE—Gertrude Cody Wheaton, '09, was honored at the Annual Tea and Dinner Meeting of the Cuyahoga County Nursing Home when she was awarded the Certificate of Volunteer Community Service, a citation for service, and the 1000-hour pin.

Gertrude Wheaton, who credits Dr. King and Dean E. I. Bosworth for her "sense of mission," is responsible for the creation, 12 years ago, of the League for Service, which has grown in the interim to one of the outstanding outlets for volunteer service in Cleveland. During the war she set up the daily nurses' aid program, and since that time has been instrumental in helping the League to branch out into other fields of service.

She is the author of many articles on social service, and over the years has been honored by numerous citations.

1927

John B. McKelvey is a chemist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Naval Stores Experiment Station in Olustee, Fla.

Mrs. Gerald Schoonover (Elizabeth Snyder) was the guest organist at an afternoon organ recital on Sunday afternoon, June 5, in Pittsburgh. The program, held at the North Side Carnegie Hall, opened with Clokey's Bell Prelude, and included works by Bach, Willan, Russell and Lemmens.

1928

Mrs. Ernest Oyston (Helen Schieber) writes from Akron, O.: "We have a son in the Air Force who has just been sent to Labrador; he is a navigator on jet planes. Our elder daughter will graduate from Garfield High School next year and the younger will enter a new junior high school. I am teaching piano and am a homemaker."

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rorick (Edythe Harris) have moved to 221 Ohio St., Elyria, O. They have two sons, Richard, 16, and William, 13.

1929

Helen Gipson has a new home, built a year ago, and reports that the Victor Lytles (former Oberlin Conservatory faculty) are to live just across the street. Her address: 573 W. 9 St., Claremont, Calif. Helen is teaching piano privately and has a "growing class."

Children of two '29'ers were married on July 9. Dolores Ward, daughter of Mrs. O. L. Hockenberry (Dolores Buck) and the late Ster-

ling Ward, and Robert Wilder Biggs, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Biggs (Eleanor Hughes) were married at St. Christopher's by the River, Gates Mills, O. Dolores is a graduate of Hathaway Brown School for Girls, Shaker Hts., O., and majored in harp at the Cleveland Institute of Music. She toured the U.S. last year with the "Angelaires," a harp quintet. Bob is a corporal in the 34th Engineering Battalion at Fort Lewis, Wash. He graduated from Mercersburg Academy (Pa.) and attended Indiana University prior to entering the service.

Walter H. Knapp, x, has moved from Northport, N. Y., to New Smyrna Beach, Fla. He is a book illustrator and commercial artist. While in Northport he served as a member of the school board, was active in Boy Scout work and in work of the Methodist Church. An interesting item is that Mrs. Frederick N. Jones (Jean Boyd, '53) has recently become a member of the Northport school board.

1930

Bernard "Bun" Gladieux has been sent by his firm (Booz, Allen & Hamilton, management consultants) to Manila for a year to serve as Fiscal Advisor to the Philippine Government under the firm's FOA contract to provide consultant services. His assignment is to work out the organization and program whereby the government can formulate an integrated fiscal policy — and should be a most challenging assignment. Persis Skilliter, x'30, and their three youngest boys are with him. Bun, Jr., has entered Harvard this fall.

After teaching art and English at Lawrenceburg, Ind., since 1947, this fall Anna C. Whelan moved to Aurora, Ind., to teach art in the public schools. "I'm sorry I didn't get back for the 25th reunion — was too busy hunting a new lot for my trailer . . . but am getting a bit homesick to see Oberlin. . . ."

1931

Betty Burnett has been in San Francisco for the past year and is an interior decorator at W. & J. Sloane Co. She went into the decorating field in 1946, after returning from overseas Red Cross service.

Willard Warch received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Rochester in June. He is assistant professor of theory at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music.

1932

William C. Gaige, president of the Rhode Island College of Education, received his doctor's degree from Harvard University in June. Bill's and Bea's (Beatrice Ferrell, '31) son Fred entered Oberlin in September.

Mrs. Dorothy Hernden (Dorothy Niehus) is teaching elementary physical education in two grade schools in Dayton, O.

David E. Smith has opened an office downtown and expanded his insurance business. He is agent for the Travelers Insurance Co. in Mason City, Iowa. On a vacation trip to Ohio in August, Dave and his family visited his brother Bob, '33 in Akron, and sister Dorothy, '29, and father, t'14, in East Orwell. They also saw John Palmer and his family in Kalamazoo, Mich. John has recently gone into the insurance business in Kalamazoo.

1933

John R. Brown, Jr., has been promoted by Spencer Chemical Co. of Kansas City, Mo. Formerly General Manager of Research and Development, John is now Managing Director of the Research and Development Division.

Jessie Dike is an executive in the YWCA in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Harold T. Johnson received the degree of Master of Social Science from Western Reserve University in June. Harold is psychiatric social worker with the VA in Cleveland. He and his wife, Nancy, have four children — Jean Claire, 14, Mimi, 13, Sherry, 10, and Kim, 3. They live at 290 N. Pleasant St., Oberlin.

Kenneth McCloskey has moved from San Francisco to Brooklyn, N. Y., where he is working in the cocoa and chocolate plant of Bower's, Inc.

Rev. John A. Northrop is serving a church at New Underwood, South Dakota.

Laurence N. White writes: "Remodelling our house was a big job, but it has made a very

nice home for us (2327 Greenfield Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.). The Oberlin Development campaign was the best thing that ever happened out here. One meeting was practically a Grey Gables reunion."

1934

Fred R. Eckford, formerly controller and business manager of George Williams College, was appointed in July to the newly created position of manager of purchases at Illinois Institute of Technology. In the new position he has overall responsibility for the purchasing and central stores department at IIT. The Eckfords (Mona Vittur) and their three children live at 10118 S. Yates Ave., Chicago.

Harriet Gipson is teaching English in the Tacoma, Wash., public schools.

Ruth Oltman changed position in July and is now a vocational counselor at the Vocational Guidance Bureau in Cleveland. This is a "Red Feather" agency which does vocational guidance on referral from the various social agencies in Cleveland as well as on individual application.

1935

Dean Bumpus is "still an oceanographer at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, presently studying hydrography of the continental shelf between Cape Hatteras and Florida. Extracurricular work — Boy Scouting. One son, Peter, age 11."

1936

Bertram Crocker, tm, has been appointed director of teacher training at Ricker College, where he will teach education and supervise secondary practice teachers. He comes to Ricker from Hunter College, New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. E. John Hamlin (Frances Cade, '34) have completed their language study in Bangkok and are now at McGilvary Theological Seminary, Chiangmai, Thailand. "We enjoyed our time in Bangkok for many people have been through the city and we find it quite a cross roads. Our move takes us to the northern part of the country and away from the busy life of the big city."

In January, 1953, Samuel H. Higuchi, x, and two associates organized the Continental Insurance Agency of Hawaii, Ltd. They are general agent for the Continental (Life) Assurance Company of Chicago and several other companies for fire and casualty insurance. Sam goes to Chicago annually and hopes to get to Oberlin on one of his trips.

William C. Kidd was elected treasurer and head of the financial division of S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc., last May. Bill has been with the company since 1946, serving successively as auditor, accounting manager, assistant to the executive vice president, and regional director in the international division before his appointment as treasurer. He is active in civic organizations in Racine (Wis.), being vice president of the County Boy Scout Council and on the board of directors of the Community Chest.

1937

Stewart J. Stowell announces the opening of his office for the general practice of law at 1169 Main St., East Hartford, Conn.

1938

David W. Berry received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at the June commencement of the Chicago Theological Seminary. After graduating from CTS in 1941, Dave served the Chicago Federation of Churches for three years, then became research assistant to the executive director of the Unit of City and Industrial Work of the Board of National Missions, Presbyterian Church. From 1947-51 he served as Director of Research, Pathfinding Service for the New York City Missionary Society and is now serving as Director of the Society. He has published a number of research reports covering various aspects of religious life in city churches and home missions.

Formerly assistant professor of English at Yale University, Dwight Culler became associate professor of English at the University of Illinois recently. The Yale Press is publishing his book this month (October) — "The Imperial Intellect: A Study of Newman's Educational Ideal." Dwight is married to Helen Simpson, a graduate of Southern Methodist University, and has two children, Jonathan, 11, and Beth, 7.

Ruth Eleanor Dulmage had a wonderful year in Japan, teaching French and Spanish in the Army Dependent Schools. This year she is teaching French in the high school at Yakima, Wash.

John V. Finch has been promoted to associate professor of mathematics at Beloit College, where he has been teaching since 1950.

Eleanor Graham is teaching physical education at Brighton High School, Rochester, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Holmes (Marian Crain, '34) are spending this year in Austria. Charles has a Fulbright lectureship at the University of Graz, Austria, and they are looking forward to exploring the country. They have a German car, a Porsche, which will make it easy to get to Vienna, 70 miles away. Marian has been "treading the boards" at a theatre in Hollywood called The Players Ring, which led to parts in TV and motion pictures. Her most recent assignment was a small character part for Warner Brothers in "Miracle in the Rain."

Mrs. Herbert Spiegelberg (Eldora Haskell, m) is lecturer in psychology for 1955-56 at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wis. Since 1949 she has worked in the Appleton public schools as a school psychologist. Her husband is professor of philosophy at Lawrence.

1939

The Charles Bussert family moved from Middleton to Hamilton, O., in April, so Charlie would have less commuting distance to his job at Fernald, O. The National Lead Co. has an AEC project there, and he is a plant superintendent. The Busserts have 3 sons, ages 10, 8, and 4½ years.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Edgar Curtis (Betsy McGee) of Saegertown, Pa., have a daughter, Katherine Wright, born on June 7. They have two older girls, Judy and Molly. Ed teaches biology at Allegheny College.

After 9 years in pediatrics practice, Dr. John J. Gerling is serving in the Marine Corps medical service from 1955-57. He is stationed at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Quantico, Va. The Gerlings have four children — 3 months, 2½, 3½ and 7 years.

Mrs. Philip Pennington (Harriet Dexter) writes that they moved to Granville, Ill., in October, 1954, when her husband took the pastorate of the Congregational Church there.

1940

S. Leonard Dart is professor of physics at Claremont Men's College, Claremont, Calif.

In September, Harry W. Johnson moved from Wisconsin State College to the University of Omaha, where he is director of the Reading Improvement Laboratory and Head of the Department of Reading Improvement.

Ralph D. Stoltz is working in the office of the Heller-Aller Co., Napoleon, O., a company which makes towers, windmills, tanks, pumps, etc. His work involves accounts receivable, credit management, sales statistics, and payroll. Ralph is married and has one child. His home is in Wauseon, O.

Rev. John C. Updegraff recently became minister of the First Christian Church, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. "Part of my duties consists of conducting a service each week in the Lauderdale Drive-In Theatre. This unique service was televised on NBC's Home Show (Arlene Francis) in March."

1941

Dr. and Mrs. Louis Cahan (Mildred Podvitz) have a second son, Philip Jon, born on June 17 at Walker Air Force Base Hospital, Roswell, N. Mex. While Mildred was in the hospital, their 4½-year-old, Steve, stayed with Hugh and Mary Reid Puckett and their four children. Mary was Mildred's roommate at Shurtleff Cottage in 1938-39.

Maynard Everson resigned as vocal music teacher at Orange H.S., Chagrin Falls, O., during the summer to accept a position as chairman of vocal music at Willoughby, O.

Cyrus W. Hamlin has been appointed to the home office staff of National Life Insurance Company of Vermont as assistant director of agents' training. For the past five years he has been with the company's Arthur Beck Agency in Buffalo. Recently Cy received a diamond emblem in recognition of five consecutive years of membership in the company's Leaders Club.

Chaplain James H. Roes, t, writes: "We are enjoying our stay here on 'The Rock,' alias Okinawa, and my work as hospital chaplain. The humidity is hard to take — 95° today. . . . We'll be back in the States about November. My category was not renewed because of this economy drive. . . ."

Mrs. William Shovell (Jane Mayer) writes: "No great news — our new address is a move to a larger house — 466 Johnson Parkway, St. Paul, Minn. I received my M.Ed. degree in 1951 from Macalester College, but am busy raising my two children and helping in civic affairs. I hope to be able to return to campus next June for my 15th reunion."

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart C. Smith (Buffy Manson) have moved to 924 N. Marcella Ave., Rialto, Calif. Stewart is chief county probation officer. They have two daughters, Pamela, 6, and Linnea, 3½ years.

Alex Ware is teaching strings in the public schools of Onconta, N. Y.

Robert E. Wear received his Ph.D. degree in Physical Education from the University of Michigan in June. He spent the summer as Director of the Junior Camp at Camp Algonquian, in Burt Lake, Michigan. This year he is teaching at the University of Toledo.

1942

"On March 20, I married Reinhardt Elster, first harpist of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra," writes Nancy Carr. "We have 3 children, so I am no longer teaching music." The Elsters are living at 144-12 Village Rd., Jamaica, N. Y.

Edwin B. ("Smiley") Knauff has been promoted to manager, personnel research, in the Aetna Life Affiliated Companies, Hartford, Conn.

John ("Dick") LeFevre is associate professor of health and physical education at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill.

Mrs. Edwin Leonard (Carol Atwater) writes: "My husband, who is an Air Force officer, will be an ROTC instructor at the College of Puget Sound for the next three years, so we will be glad to see people near Tacoma. Our favorite souvenir of 3½ years in Newfoundland is Timothy, born last December. Judson is now 10 and Holly 6."

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seely (Betty Cameron, '47), announce the birth of David Cameron, on June 7 in Amherst, Mass.

Albrecht Strauss is an instructor in English at Yale University. He is working on his Ph.D. dissertation and hopes to complete the degree at Harvard by next February.

1943

Mrs. Robert C. Boyd (Margaret Sigler) is teaching mathematics at Waukegan, Ill., this year.

Ruth Calvin stopped in Oberlin in August, on her way home from Colorado. She is teaching 6th grade and is hockey coach at the New Canaan, Conn., Country Day School.

Theodore W. Chandler, Jr., received his B.D. degree from Hartford Theological Seminary and was ordained into the Congregational ministry in May. The ordination service took place at the Congregational Church of Union, Conn., on May 1 with Rev. William L. Bradley, '41, preaching the sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Farnsworth (Kathryn

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Micklewright, '44), announce the birth of William Charles on June 28. The Farnsworths have two older children, Ann and John.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Francee (Jean Reitsman, '46) announce the arrival of Virginia Grace on July 17. She has an older brother, Robert Karl, now 3½. Bob is an assistant professor of economics at Princeton University and is also doing some arbitrating of labor disputes for the New Jersey State Mediation Board.

Julia McGrew is teaching mediaeval English at Mount Holyoke College this year.

Mrs. Janette Sayre (Janette Spickerman) is starting study for her doctorate in physical education at Indiana University.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sylvester (Jean Grover) spent the past year in Concord, Mass., while Bill worked at Harvard under a Ford Fellowship. They are now back at Kansas State University where Bill teaches English. They have three children, David, Judy, and Ann.

After two years service in the Air Force, Dr. and Mrs. David Toll (Margaret Powell) and their boys, John, 3, and Abiel, 1, have returned to St. Johnsbury, Vt. Dr. Toll has resumed his pediatric practice there.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Wenger (Eleanor Lerner, m), announce the birth of Sharon Dee on June 7 in Lawrence, Kans.

1944

Dr. Jerome Benson, instructor in pathology at the University of Miami School of Medicine, has been appointed associate pathologist at Mount Sinai Hospital in Miami. He has charge of the clinical pathology laboratory and will take part in the research program on arteriosclerosis. Jerry graduated from the Creighton University School of Medicine and served his internship and residency training in pathology in Fordham Hospital, New York City.

Mrs. Henry Clarke (Enid Little) writes: "My husband, whose stage name is Clark Winters, went to Paris in June to play 'Jud' in 'Oklahoma!' for the Salute to Paris. Then the middle of July I joined the company in Rome as understudy to the lead. (My stage name is Enid Harding.) Played in Rome, Naples, Milan and Venice. We had a sad blow in Milan, however, when our young 'Laurey' succumbed to polio so I took over. It's not the ideal way to make a debut, but I couldn't have asked for a prettier or better theatre than the one in Venice. We arrived back in New York Aug. 20. Art Swan, '46, was also in the company. Now I'm just delighted to be back and to be with my 14 month old son, Brett, once more. My sister Ruth, '47 (Mrs. White) is here in Englewood, N. J., for a visit with her 19 month-old son, Jonathan."

Since October, 1953, Kenneth J. Forman has been at the Agricultural Institute, Allahabad, U.P., India. He is Director of Materials Production for the Institute, an experimental rural development project financed by the Ford Foundation. His work involves the production of educational material such as filmstrips, posters, booklets, flannelgraphs, exhibits, etc., to facilitate the village development work.

Mildred J. Johnson received her Ph.D. degree in musicology from Indiana University in June. This year she is assistant professor of strings and music history at Kansas Wesleyan University, Salina, Kansas.

Mrs. Morse Levy (Evelyn Kolb) writes: "We moved in March to another new home, which we did not build ourselves this time. An interim of 7 weeks between houses was spent living with Bruce, '46, and Jerry (Jerry Smith) Partridge, '48. They were truly friends in time of need especially since our roll call was 4 adults and 6 youngsters in an average sized home. Our boys are Mark, 4½, and Paul, 2½." Their new address: 56 Hilltop Dr., Penfield, N. Y.

Rev. Elliott J. Mason, t, has a Fulbright fellowship for study in religion at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. Since 1944 he has been pastor of the Third Baptist Church in Toledo, O.

The wedding of Margaret Ann Muhlhauser and George H. Kilbride took place at the First Presbyterian Church in Canal Fulton, O., on July 16. Margaret's matrion of honor was her sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Muhlhauser of Elyria, and her brother, Robert, '41, was best man. The Kilbrides are living at 11845 Edgewater Drive, Lakewood, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Peterson (Charlene Peterson Peterson, '48) announce the birth of



CONDUCTS EUROPEAN TOUR

— Dr. Negley K. Teeters, '20, chairman of the department of sociology and professor of criminology at Temple University, conducted a unique summer study tour in 1955 for both undergraduate and graduate students. The course, "Social Welfare in Western Europe," consisted of a six-week tour through England, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, France, Belgium, and Holland.

A world authority in the field of criminology and penology, Negley is president of the Pennsylvania Prison Society, with which he has been identified for some 25 years. The author of numerous books, his texts are in use in more than 100 colleges. In 1946 he assisted in the revision of the Penal Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In 1944 he received a grant from the Department of State to study the penal system of South America.

The Teeters family is an all-Oberlin family. Their oldest son, Robert Duane, graduated from the College in 1950 and was married to Nancy Hays, who graduated in 1952. Ralph Negley, their other child, is now 10 years old.

Paul Edward on June 9 in New Haven, Conn. During the past year Hal was studying on a Carnegie Research Grant at Yale. This fall he started a new position as choral director of the Amity Regional High School, Woodbridge, Conn.

Mrs. Edward W. Wagner (Leonore Uhlmann) writes that they have moved from Nara to Kyoto, Japan. Her husband will go to Korea this fall to continue his studies in Korean history and language for another year, and Leonore and their 2½ year old son may join him in the spring. In the meantime, she will probably teach English in Kyoto.

1945

Mrs. David E. Arbogast (May Kitazawa) is an instructor in the department of landscape architecture at the University of California in Berkeley and is also practicing with her husband, who is also a landscape architect. They recently moved into a large house at 1330 Spruce St., Berkeley (about 8 blocks north of the campus) and would welcome any Oberlinians at any time.

Since March, Albert DeMott has been export traffic manager of the Todd Company, Rochester, N. Y. The company makes check protectors, safety papers and other bank supplies.

Barton Haigh, s, and Ella June Whittaker of New York City planned to be married on Sept.

24 at Riverside Church. Bart is in recreation work in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. David Platt (Patricia Davis) are living in Media, Pa. David is teaching philosophy part-time at the University of Pennsylvania and working on the last stages of his Ph.D. degree.

Elizabeth Potcat completed a certificate in clinical counselling at Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College (N. C.) last June. She has a position as counselor and social director in the School of Nursing, Baptists Hospital, Birmingham, Ala.

Mrs. Kenneth G. Scheid (Minette DeBoer) writes: "We moved to Marblehead, Mass., the first of July and are living in a 'sparloft' apartment in a boatyard on Marblehead Harbor. We have a panoramic view of the fleet moored in the Harbor — we love it now but look forward to it even more in the winter time. . . . I am still working in the program department of the Boston Symphony Orchestra but now only three days a week. The rest of the time I am a 'homemaker.'"

Elizabeth Sims and James Turnure of Yonkers, N. Y., were married at her home in Oberlin in June. They are living at Fairview Manor, Dryden Rd., Ithaca, N. Y. Jim teaches art history at Cornell University.

"Jan" Tompkins and Conrad L. Catron were married in Enclid, O., on June 10. Until her marriage, Jan was director of vocal music at Enclid High School. They are living in Detroit.

1946

Report from Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Browning (Eleanor Tibbets): "Just completed two years service in USAF at Keesler AFB, Miss. We're now in New York City and Tom is starting training at the new Bronx Municipal Hospital Center, affiliated with Albert Einstein College of Medicine — 2nd year resident in psychiatry."

Marian Card is spending the fall in England and Holland, doing research for her Ph.D. dissertation in the history of art.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Forsythe (Hattie Camp) announce the birth of Margaret Hayes on June 2. She joins sisters Julie, Carol, and Ellen. The Forsythes live on Locust Lane Farm, Medford, N. J.

Natalie Hinderas and Lionel J. Monagas of Philadelphia, Pa., were married on June 19 at the home of Natalie's grandmother, Mrs. C. C. Palmer, in Oberlin. Natalie is a concert pianist, and also teaches at the Settlement Music School in Philadelphia. Her husband is a television director in Philadelphia.

Report from the Richard Kents (Edith Hosier): "Last May, Dick quit his job at KOB-TV, one of the stations affiliated with NBC, to start his own photographic business — commercial photography, filmed 'commercials,' TV slides, and anything else clients might wish. . . . He's doing very well, and Brian, our 2-year-old son, and I are delighted to have him home more. . . . We're living in the adobe and rough hewn beam house which we built ourselves over the past four years. Since Brian's birth, I've substituted in most of the hospital and private laboratories in Albuquerque as medical technologist and enjoy keeping up with the work."

Dr. Gordon Meyerhoff, m, has opened a second office in Roslyn Hts., L. I., N. Y., for the practice of adult and child psychiatry.

Ruth Portman has moved to the west coast. She is a laboratory technician in the University of Washington Medical School in Seattle.

Lo-ern Potter, m, has received a grant from the National Science Foundation for study in New Mexico on the phytosociology of the San Augustine Plains during 1955-56.

Rev. and Mrs. James P. Robinson (Dorothy Toliver) and their 3 children moved to Stockton, Calif., in August, where Jim is pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Phyllis L. Strobel, s, is a biochemist at the Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Ga.

After years of apartment living, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Westlake (Mary Crew) have finally bought a house at 3101 N. Raymond Ave., Altadena, Calif. Mary is an employment interviewer at the California Institute of Technology and finds the work very interesting.

1947

Dr. Nancy G. Boucot has been appointed a

research fellow in medicine at Harvard Medical School.

After four years as Instructor in Philosophy at Boston University, John W. Copeland moved to Pittsburgh in September as Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Eley (Elizabeth Hill) have moved from Washington, D. C., to Ann Arbor, Mich. Lynn is a research associate in the Institute of Public Administration at the University of Michigan. Betsy writes that they are expecting their second child in December and that she'd be delighted to have Oberlin friends look them up — 3405 Norwood St., Pittsfield Village, Ann Arbor.

Lloyd Frank graduated from Cornell Law School in 1950 and has been practicing with the firm of M. Mac Schewel in New York City since then. "Our practice is for the greater part before the Securities and Exchange Commission. I still remember some of Professor Ben Lewis' lectures on this phase of our society — at that time I little realized that I would be doing this kind of work." Last December 26, Lloyd married Beatrice Silverstein of Rochester, N. Y. Beatrice graduated from Sarah Lawrence College in 1951 and from Cornell Law School in 1954 and is also a practicing attorney in New York.

Mrs. Merrill Joire (Marjory Downes) received her M.S. degree in elementary education at the University of Pennsylvania in June.

Dr. Robert L. Kemp completed a residency in internal medicine at Philadelphia General Hospital the first of July and has settled in his home town of Gloversville, N. Y., to establish his practice. While they were in Philadelphia, his wife (Marillyn) taught school, but is to be his receptionist in Gloversville. "For a change we'll have an extra bedroom and will welcome any traveling Oberlin acquaintances — 29 Prospect Ave."

Mrs. Karlheinz Kurer (Emilie Bohnhorst) writes: "We lived in Austin, Texas, for two years, while my husband studied at the University. We are on our way back to Germany, his native country, and are looking forward to spending at least a year there."

After 3 years on the staff of the New York Daily Mirror, Robert A. Lee headed west once more. Following an assignment of personnel research for Dove Schary, he joined the Readers Department as a story analyst at MGM Studios. He is living in Culver City, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Martling (Ruth "Mickey" Webb) have a son, William Hunter, born July 31 in Sandusky, O. In September they moved to Durham, N. H., where Kent is assistant treasurer of the University of New Hampshire. Another Oberlinian, Dudley Barnard, '30, is auditor of the University.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Schick (Renne Saffir) have a daughter, Debra Lynn, born on July 8. They live at Briar Oaks, Riverdale, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. George ("G.K.") Schrock (Caryl Herron, '48), of Chicago have a son, Peter Jonathan, born July 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Selz (Thaleia Cheronis) moved to Claremont, Calif., this fall. Pete is the new chairman of the art department at Pomona College and Thaleia is a part-time instructor in English. While they were in Chicago, she taught English part-time at the Illinois Institute of Technology and at Chicago City College.

John B. Shaw is teaching English at Hiram College (Ohio) this year. Since receiving his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 1952, he has been an instructor at Williams College (Mass.).

Since 1953, Fred Strasburg has been a student at Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Mass. He is now in his senior year there. During 1953-54 he also served as director of student work at the Chestnut Street Congregational Church in Worcester, Mass., and in 1954-55 was assistant minister of the First Congregational Church in Chelsea, Mass.

1948

Mr. and Mrs. George Ball (Nancy Cronon) and their children, Alan, 3, and Sally, 2, have moved to 1495 Hewitt Ave., St. Paul, Minn. George is assistant professor of philosophy and religion and director of religious activities at Hamline University.



ERNEST H. VAN FOSSAN, '09, resigned after more than 29 years as a judge of the United States Tax Court. The following letter was made public by the White House on August 11:

August 11, 1955

Dear Judge Van Fossan:

It was with a very real sense of regret that I received your letter informing me of your decision to retire at the end of September this year.

In your more than twenty-nine years as a Judge of the Tax Court of the United States and as a member of its predecessor, the United States Board of Tax Appeals, your contribution to the effective work of those bodies has been immeasurable. That splendid service, together with your years of effective service as a Government official before you became a member of the Board of Tax Appeals, constitutes a record of selfless public service for which all of your fellow citizens owe you their deepest gratitude, which I wish to express to you for them.

The sense of loss we have upon your retirement is tempered only by the knowledge that you have many years of well-earned leisure to enjoy and that you will be available to be called upon for even further service.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,
DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Jean E. Bishop is a resident counselor and instructor in education, teaching three courses in Orientation at Kent State University, Kent, O.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert J. Boyer (Norma Wilhelm, '52) are living in Fort Lee, N. J. Bob is carrying on a medical practice and is also studying dentistry at the Columbia Dental College. He expects to complete his dental degree in June, 1956. Norma is homemaker — with "the most pleasant occupation of taking care of our charming daughter, Suzanne."

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Briggs (Janet Strasburg) have completed graduate study at the Colorado State College of Education and are teaching in the Yolo County Schools, Woodland, Calif. Bob is a secondary coordinator and Janet is teaching an elementary grade.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton E. Dearing (Mary Brennan, m) have a son, Brian Eugene, born April 26. They live in Schenectady, N. Y.

On June 1, Elinor Eccles joined the staff of the National Department of Christian Education, Protestant Episcopal Church, as editor of publication, children's division. The job involves

writing and editing mission study and vacation church school materials. Her new address — 28 Havemeyer Pl., Greenwich, Conn.

Mrs. Robert W. Halley (Louise Ankeny) writes: "Bob and I have just moved to Miami, Fla., where he is technical representative for Carbide and Carbon Chemicals. We are anxious for news from fellow Oberlinians. Have just bought a house, so the welcome latch is out 6750 SW 53 St., South Miami, Fla."

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howes (Alice Spore,) and 7-month-old Betsy stopped in Oberlin in mid-August on their way to visit their parents in Hinsdale, Ill., and Tulsa, Okla. Harry is guidance counselor at Teachers College High School and teaches in the New York State Teachers College at Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Knauer (Edith Cripe) are living in Houston, Texas. Tom is with the Texas Company and Edith is organist at the Methodist Church and teaches piano privately. They have two children, Gregory and Jennifer Ann.

Susan Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miner Long (Sybil Wheaton, '45) of Wichita Falls, Tex., was born on July 20.

Wayne R. "Lons" Lonsdorf received his commission as a reserve officer in the Navy on May 6, after completing the 4 months course at Newport, R. I.

Elizabeth (Bambi) Menzi is beginning her fourth year of teaching physical education at Adrian College, Mich. She has moved to a cottage on a small lake near Adrian and plans to make it her year-round home.

Dr. Alphonse Palubinskas is a teaching fellow in radiology at Harvard Medical School.

George Reddin is an attorney, with the firm of Gorsuch, Campbell, Walker & Grover in Denver, Colo.

Richard W. Reed received his Ph.D. degree in economics and sociology from Clark University, Worcester, Mass., in June.

Stanley Rostov completed his L.L.B. degree at the University of Kansas City in June. He is doing a one-year project in the general area of the economic problems of the registered professional nurse for the American Nurses' Association and is working as field representative in Illinois.

Mrs. Lester Rushin (Rose Marie Ellington) writes: "I am here in Honolulu with my husband, who is in the Navy, and our little boy, Lester III, 9 months old. We are enjoying all the wonderful things Hawaii has to offer. I am church organist at one of the Air Force chapels and have run into quite a few Oberlinians."

Rosalind Sawyer and George S. Springsteen, Jr., were married in Ann Arbor, Mich., on May 28. They are both employed in the State Department and are living in Arlington, Va.

Mrs. John Shaffer (Dina Iorio) writes from Long Branch, N. J.: "My husband has been in the Army since January. In May, Scotty (now 15 months) and I joined him at Fort Monmouth. Scotty is walking and getting into everything so there's never a dull moment. We're located just a block from the ocean and go to the beach frequently. We'll be here until the end of September, but after that it's 'destination unknown' at present."

Leland B. Yeager, assistant professor in international economics at the University of Maryland, was one of 37 college teachers awarded a Ford Educational Forum Fellowship for the summer of 1955. The fellowship holders spent two weeks in July at Dearborn, Mich., studying the Ford Motor Company organization to secure a better understanding of the auto industry.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bernasek, Jr. (Edna Mulholland, x) have moved from Texas to Chapel Hill, N. C. Ed is a research chemist at the University of North Carolina Medical Center. Edna is continuing her music as a church organist.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward ("Duke") Breckenridge (Margie Wyckoff, x'51) announce the birth of Judy Linn on June 3. "Our oldest son, Daniel, is now 5, and Stephen is 2. It's quite a thrill to have a daughter! Duke owns and operates a self-service grocery store in Grove City, O., which we built two years ago, and in her 'spare' time, Margie teaches piano — 10 students."

Nancy L. Brewer and Shaw Livermore, Jr.,

were married in the Congregational Church, Fort Atkinson, Wis., on June 11. Shaw is a graduate of Harvard and is a graduate student in American history at the University of Wisconsin. Nancy is a social worker in Madison.

Donald Campbell is assistant coach in all sports at Fairview High School, Fairview Village, Ohio. For the past five years, he taught and coached at Oberlin High School. The Campbells (Carol Morrison, '44) are continuing to live in Oberlin.

Charles Carrick has been appointed product manager for the Remington Stud Driver in the sales department of Nelson Stud Welding Co. of Lorain.

Mr. and Mrs. David J. Crouse, Jr. (Jean E. Johnson) are in Oak Ridge, Tenn. Dave is a chemical engineer at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Max Greeff is teaching 6th grade at Belshaw School, Antioch, Calif.

Marie Grimm is teaching strings in the public schools in Galveston, Texas.

After six years in YMCA work, **Milton V. Groesbeck** has decided to become a teacher. He is teaching sixth grade this year at Chatham, N. J.

Dana Haigh has been appointed specialist on Remington Stud Driver sales in the Ohio and western Pennsylvania territory for Nelson Stud Welding Co. of Lorain. The Haighs live at 173 N. Prospect St., Oberlin, O.

Robert Kingdon received his Ph.D. degree from Columbia University in June. His dissertation was based on research on unpublished documents in Swiss archives. Bob spent the summer in Switzerland, working on additional research. Since 1952 he has been teaching at the University of Massachusetts.

Allice R. Kohn has a new position as educational counselor with the New Jersey Commission for the Blind. Her assignment involves working with parents of blind children, especially pre-school children, in making plans for school work and special educational help for them.

Eunice Kunze and **David A. Langner** were married on June 23 in Cleveland. They are living at 1373 Elbur Ave., Lakewood.

Mrs. Richard Lefebvre (**Elizabeth Arkett**) is teaching theory part-time at the Manhattan School of Music and at Merrymount College, both in New York City.

Ruth (Rusty) Mack received her M.A. degree in guidance and counseling from Stanford University in August. She is a teacher-counselor at the Long Beach (Calif.) Municipal School Camp, Camp Hi-Hill, at the 4500 foot elevation on Mt. Wilson. This is a year-around camp with a permanent staff.

Lt. (j.g.) W. H. Targgart will be a Navy flight surgeon with the Marines for the next two years. At present stationed at the USMC Air Station at El Toro, Calif., he hopes to be in the Far East by the end of the year.

Janet S. Toohy and **Edward Eugene Ferguson**

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ing to the mimeographed stack) with the rules, tips on fundamentals, offensive and defensive plays, and other information. Football today has become more complicated, more demanding, more specialized, more organized. As head coach, I plan the practice sessions weeks in advance, parcel out chores to my assistants, and keep track of who is doing what and when." He looked at me with a grin. "You know, I don't really coach under this set up. I'm an administrator."

Administrator, coach, educator, what have you, I thought to myself. Lysle K. Butler is a wonderful, straight-shooting guy to have at the head of the Oberlin men's athletic program.

—Granger

were married on April 9 in Kansas City, Mo. They are living at 929 Jefferson St., Kansas City.

Jean Van Tuyl is secretary to the director of a project run by the Stanford Research Institute. They are studying a problem of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company in San Francisco.

Charles Windle recently began a new job with the Iranian Oil Exploration and Producing Company, where he is supervisor of personnel research.

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JoAnne Bacon and **Dale Jeffers** were married at the First Baptist Church in Racine, Wis., on July 2. Dale is a graduate of Rose Polytechnic Institute and is an engineer at the Whirlpool Corp. in St. Joseph, Mich. JoAnne is teaching an elementary grade in the public schools. Their address — 1302 Niles Ave., St. Joseph, Mich.

Dr. and Mrs. **Richard F. Baer (Eleanor "Chris" Derby)** announce the birth of a daughter, Catherine Elizabeth, on July 6. Cathy and her big brother Bruce, 15 months, are keeping Chris busy while Dick completes his third and final year as resident in physical medicine and rehabilitation at the University Hospital, Columbus, O.

Maynard Bauer has spent the last 4 summers in graduate study at Ohio State University. This fall he shifted to a new position as executive head of the Plainfield School, near Coshocton, Ohio.

Guy A. Biagiotti, m. received his M.D. degree from Ohio State University in June.

Mr. and Mrs. **Daniel Buck** have a son, Peter Daniel, born on April 13, a candidate for the class of 1977. They live in Levittown, N. Y.

Dorinthe Anne Burkholder and **I. Milton Sacks** were married in New York City on July 30. Milton has been studying for his Ph.D. at Yale University during the past two years. He joined the faculty of Brandeis University in September. Dorinthe is with the social relations department at Harvard University.

Mr. and Mrs. **Robert Burns (Annabelle "A.B." Fliteraft, '49)** moved to St. Louis last spring. Bob is the Union Oil Co. sales representative for the area, in charge of Iowa, southern Illinois, and Missouri. They have two girls, Gayle, 3, and Constance Anne, 1 year. Oberlin friends welcomed — 759 W. Canterbury Rd.

Dr. Dorothy E. Carnegie and **Dr. Richard G. Shillinglaw** were married in Detroit on June 30. Both of them are resident physicians at the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital.

James E. Cherry has returned to Oberlin this fall to complete his degree in music education.

Fred H. Colbrunn received the degree of doctor of dental surgery in June from Ohio State University.

Mr. and Mrs. **William H. Hoffman, Jr. (Nancy K. Henninger)** are living in Riegelsville, Pa. Bill is an industrial engineer and Nancy a homemaker.

Report from the **Edward Johnsons** (Joan Schenck, '51): "We now have our own home, a 3-year-old Cape Cod, located in the Fairmount Hills section of Syracuse, N. Y. We moved in the first of May and have been enjoying it this summer. Our welcome mat is out to all Oberlinians — 114 Stockton Place. The Jo Elders (Joe Finley, '51), Bob Kimballs, '51, (Lorna Thomas, '51), Ray Helfer, '51, Nancy Nicalo, '52, and Ted Doerge have already stopped in to inspect our investment. We did so enjoy getting back to Oberlin in June for Ed's fifth reunion. This summer Joan has been busy directing Camp Avalon, the Syracuse YWCA Day Camp, in Tully, N. Y."

A. Seth Johnston was recently made farm manager for southwestern Ohio and adjacent northern Kentucky for Opekasis, Inc., with offices in Lebanon, O. His residence is 615 Oak Rd., Glendale, O.

David Kaplan, m. is instructor in woodwinds at West Texas State College, Canyon, Texas.

Charles H. Lahr, Jr. received the M.D. degree from Ohio State University in June.

Report from **Dr. and Mrs. Donald Layton (Phyllis Dodge)**: "Don has completed his year of internship at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago and began a three-year residency in neurology on July 1. He has a fellowship from the Chicago chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for operating a clinic at St. Luke's. Phyllis is working in the editorial department at



TEACHING ENGLISH — Lenice Krull, one of the 1954 Oberlin-in-China Representatives, taught English to Taiwanese boys at Chang Jung Boys' Schol in Tainan, Formosa last year. Lennie and Dave Elder, also a 1954 "Rep," join the faculty of the new Tunghai University at Taichung when it opens in the fall. They both spent the summer in American Friend Service Work Camps in Japan.

Scott, Foresman & Co., educational publishers. We entertained **Jean Mitchell Duggan**, her husband Dick, and son David at a picnic July 5. They were on their way to Long Beach, Calif., where they will be living. Also present were Mac, x, and Sandra Trautwein MacGregor, x, Georgine Carner Kretzmann, x, her husband and 3 children."

Since last March, **Robert McEwen** has been manager of the Triple-H Corp. in Hudson, O.

Mr. and Mrs. **Royce McWharther (Eunice Rasch, '51)** have a daughter, Karen Jean, born June 8. They live in Spring Valley, N. Y.

Since July 1, **John Metcalf** has been with the First National City Bank of New York as an economic researcher. His special field is research on current economic and business conditions in the Far East. The Metcalfs are living at 144-41 71st Rd., Kew Gardens Hills, N. Y., "in a garden-type apartment . . . already getting the sububan outlook." Their third child, Peter Robin, was born Aug. 2. Susan is 2½ and Michael 1 year.

Morton Schrag is working for the Jewish Community Centers of Chicago while completing his master's degree in social work at the University of Illinois.

Dr. and Mrs. **Harold R. Schwartz (Phyllis Koren)** have a daughter, Deborah Susan, who will be a year old on Dec. 27. They are now living at 10 Oakwood Rd., Huntington, L. I., N. Y.

Louis M. Smith has been appointed assistant professor in the department of education of the College of Liberal Arts, Washington University (Mo.). Formerly he was a school psychologist with the public schools in St. Paul, Minn.

Richard B. Stedman, x. is sports and news director at radio station WKMI, Kalamazoo, Mich.

O. Jane Weed received the Master of Social Work degree in June from the University of Pittsburgh.

After teaching kindergarten and "Spanish-English" for non-English speaking children in the Lorain, O., public schools for two years, **Carol Westerman** has gone to Cali, Colombia, to teach in the Colegio Bolivar.

Mary (Pat) Young received her Ph.D. degree in history from Cornell University in June. She is now instructor in history at Ohio State University.

Harry B. Zornow and **Shirley Ruth Barco** of Rocky River, O., were married at the Rocky River Methodist Church in May. Shirley graduated from the Ohio State School of Nursing and is an instructor in the School of Nursing at Fairview Park Hospital. Harry is with McDonald & Co., an investment firm in Cleveland.

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John B. Atwater received his M.D. degree from Yale School of Medicine in June.

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but ignorant, naive, or supercilious concerning Lorain County, Ohio, the very area in which an Oberlin resident can best be an informed, active, responsible citizen. However, the professors who do become active and known in town are generally popular and respected, exceptionally valuable community leaders.

There are subtle attitudes and feelings, in both groups, that make fertile ground for dissention. The scholar often is intrinsically shy and diffident; in ordinary dealings (a minor purchase, for instance) he often seems unnecessarily hesitant or suspicious, "penny wise." In turn, the non-collegian often looks upon the professor with considerable envy . . . and unconsciously, some feeling of inferiority . . . envy for the collegian's facility with words and ideas, and his seemingly more gracious and secure way of life.

The surprising fact is this, that despite all these constant reasons for town-gown friction, there actually exists so little of it in Oberlin. It seems to me less virulent here than is traditional for such situations.

Witness the extraordinary success of the King Memorial Fund drive in the Oberlin community last year! Local givers established a high example for other friends of Oberlin the world over.

Yes, Oberlin's town-gown relationship is not bad, but it could be better; and obviously it is to the advantage of us all to keep it good, and make it better. Occasionally the College has seemed far more concerned to contrive a favorable paragraph in the *New York Times* than for the good will of its own community. But it will never long maintain healthy public relations at large without keeping the friendship of its nearest neighbors. Unless Oberlin's human relationships are genuinely good at home, how can it presume to offer light and hope to the far corners of the world?

The initiative for better town-gown feeling can best come from the College, not in any big, self-conscious gesture, but in many little, thoughtful ways. And "town" must mean more than just the city of Oberlin! It means also the nearby rural area, and the big, booming industrial communities of Elyria, Lorain, and Cleveland. This is one of the most vital, dynamic, exciting, full-of-problems neighborhoods in the world. Here is an area that well deserves the prime interest and best services of Oberlin College.

Finally, above all else, in our concern for good public relations at home or abroad, let's hope that Oberlin College will never succumb to the inevita-

ble temptation to use the muzzle, or to compromise any of its great intellectual and ethical traditions. True, I have indicated that the occasional noisy dissenter on campus (teacher or student) creates public relations problems; but in the long run it is best for Oberlin, and for its neighbors, that here dissent rather than conformity shall be nurtured.

In the long run, the world will most respect an Oberlin College that maintains its own special integrity, its essential difference. Oberlin should never mold its graduates (or its entrance criteria) merely to be like those of other schools. In fact, there should never be a standard mold of any sort for Oberlin students.

Donald Barrett was discharged from the Army in June and began study on his Master of Music degree at the College of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif., with the summer term.

Arthur F. Becknell, Jr., is "choral music assistant" at the University of Wisconsin, where he is studying for his master's degree in music education. For the past four years, he taught choral music at Marshfield, Wis.

Gordon Binning writes: "In May I left my job in Kingsport, Tenn., and drove to Arizona and neighboring states, camping, and photographing most of the scenery. Visiting friends on the west coast and parents in Idaho consumed most of June. My two brothers and I drove to Alaska and the Yukon Territory in July, which trip was rich experience. As if three months' camping weren't enough, I'm spending August in the Idaho Mountains."

George Bowman completed his Army service in May. On June 11 he married Ruth Virginia Graf in the Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church in Baltimore, Md. Budd Hopkins, '53, was best man. George is a junior accounting clerk in the investment section of the trust department, Mercantile Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Baltimore, and Ruth is secretary at the church where they were married. They are living at 4423 Harcourt Rd., Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Brucker (Joan Wagner) are living in Yellow Springs, O. Roger received his discharge from the Air Force June 15 and is working as an account executive for Odiorne Industrial Advertising in Yellow Springs. The Bruckers have two children, Tom, 3, and Ellen, almost 1 year. Roger is co-author of "The Caves Beyond," published by Funk & Wagnalls Co. in June.

Joseph Coleman is a market research analyst for A. J. Wood & Co. in Philadelphia.

Rev. Frank E. Crofoot, t, moved to Toledo, O., in July, 1954 to be associate minister at the Monroe St. Methodist Church, the largest Protestant church in Toledo. He is also chairman of the Education Leadership Committee of the Toledo Council of Churches and a member of the Board of Directors of the Council. The Crofoots have 3 daughters, Kathy, Nancy, and Susan.

Dr. John D. Culberson is internist at The New York Hospital, New York City.

After receiving his B.D. degree from Yale Divinity School in June, George Czar was appointed minister of the Methodist Church in Newington, Conn. George and Marion (Davenport) have two sons, George and Stephen.

Mrs. Norman Dyck (Dorothy Hostetler) is teaching music at Lynnewood Elementary School, Haverford Township, Pa.

Robert Emery wrote in August: "I completed my orals and thesis for the Ph.D. in economics at the University of Michigan on Aug. 4 and will receive the degree next February. My thesis topic is 'Government Accounts for Economic Planning in Burma.' I am scheduled to take the Army physical exam on Aug. 29. If I pass, I expect to be inducted early in October."

Dorothy A. Finken received her M.D. degree from the Woman's Medical College of Pennsyl-

vania on June 10. Beginning July 1, she interned at Meadowbrook Hospital, Hempstead, L. I., N. Y.

Alan Goodwin is a student in city and regional planning at the University of North Carolina. He spent the summer in an amplexation study for the city of Greensboro, N. C., as part of the internship requirement for his master's degree.

Ray E. Helfer received his M.D. degree from the State University of New York College of Medicine in Syracuse in June and is interning at Philadelphia (Pa.) General Hospital.

Mrs. David Ingalls (Marjorie Stone) received her master of arts degree from Ohio State University in June.

Sylvan Joseph, Jr., has a year fellowship for architectural studies in Europe. He writes, "With the aid of the photographs and booklets sent to me from Oberlin last fall, I was able to convey the character of Oberlin College to my design thesis at Columbia Architectural School. As a result, the design I submitted for the Humanities Building was quite well received and I was awarded the fellowship for study in Europe. . . . Next year at this time I join the architectural profession as a paid employee and look forward to hearing then from old Oberlin friends."

Richard A. Kuusela and Sandra Gayle Brimmer were married on June 25 in the First Methodist Church, Silver Creek, N. Y. Arvid Alenius was best man and John Russell and "Ted" Hauser, ushers. "Whitey" is stationed at Sampson Air Force Base. Sandra is in her senior year at Kenka College.

After graduating from George Washington School of Medicine in June, Sam Langstaff is interning at Denver (Colo.) General Hospital in the University of Colorado training program.

Bruce LeBarron, x, graduated from the New York State College for Teachers in 1951 and received his Bachelor of Sacred Theology degree from Berkeley Divinity School last spring. He was ordained into the Episcopal ministry in May and is serving as assistant minister at the Church of the Messiah in Glens Falls, N. Y.

Mrs. Harvey J. Levin (Rhoda Pinsley) writes: "We were married at the Forest Hills Inn on Long Island on June 26. We had about 70 guests, including Sheila Goldberg Meyers, '52. My sister, Judith, was made of honor and Harvey's best friend, Robert Langbaum, professor of English at Cornell, was best man. Harvey is assistant professor of economics at Hofstra College and I am teaching vocal music in the elementary grades in North Merrick, L. I., N. Y."

Mrs. Odette Mallet (Odette Pellaton Mallet) has joined the list of college women preparing to teach. She won a fellowship for a year's study in education on the Vanderbilt Peabody Master of Arts in Teaching Program in Nashville, Tenn., and plans to teach English in high school on completion of her study there. Her son, David, is entering public school this fall.

Salvatore Martirano received the Raphael Sagalyn memorial scholarship of \$250 at the Berkshire Music Center at the end of the summer course.

Joe Mazur completed Army service during the summer. He is teaching in a high school in Cleveland, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Meachen (Marie Emery) have been at St. John's Parish, Waterbury, Conn., for the past two years. Jerry is organist-choirmaster, with an adult choir of 47, boys' choir of 25, and girls' choir of 30 voices. Both Jerry and Marie are teaching part-time at St. Margaret's School for Girls, where they teach music from nursery age through 8th grade. In addition, they have done some recitals and Marie some oratorio solo singing. They have two children, Annamarie, a "2-year-old replica of her daddy," and "red-headed Michael," born last April. St. John's is in a program of restoration and development which includes the addition of a fourth clergyman to the staff. To the Meachens delight, the new minister and his wife are Phil, '52, and Delno Tyree Perkins.

Walt L. Muhlbach received his M.S. degree in wildlife management from Ohio State University in August, 1954, and worked as a field representative for the Nature Conservancy, a non-profit conservation organization in Washington, D. C., until June, 1955. He then became State Game Biologist with the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks, with headquarters in Aberdeen, S. Dakota.

Marsh Nottingham is a graduate student in geology at the University of Colorado.

Henrietta Oates and Lt. Norman W. L. Kavanaugh, USAF, were married on July 30 in Princeton, N. J. Norman graduated from Yale in 1950 and received his law degree at Stanford University in 1953. He is serving with the Air Force at Teterboro, N. J. For several years Henrietta has been with the art book publishing firm of Wittenborn & Co. in New York City.

Mrs. Ivan Pascall (Jeanne Steffler, '52) writes: "Ivan is well over half way through his work towards a Ph. D. in chemistry at the University of Rochester. I work at a publishing company, where I have met some interesting and brilliant people, practice the piano nights, and do some reading. Ivan became a citizen in April and changed 'Piscalnikow' to 'Pascall' since he was tired of spelling his name for everyone."

Jeff Pearson writes: "I found myself married this past June to a lovely Connecticut College lass and I'm commuting from New Brunswick, N. J., to New York City while Kathy finishes her degree at Douglas College. Any Oberlinians are always welcome, especially if they bring along a fourth! 214 Handy St., New Brunswick, N. J."

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Prince are in Ann Arbor, Mich., where Warren is working for his master's degree in theory at the University of Michigan. They expect to be in Ann Arbor for two years and then plan on college teaching.

John L. Ritter is working for TV Guide, "which has the same owner as the Philadelphia Inquirer. Our office puts out the section of the magazine that lists programs with time, channel, plot summary, cast, etc. . . . I'm enjoying the job very much and think it is a good introduction to publishing and the field of mass media, in which I am interested."

Mr. and Mrs. Benson Scheff (Betty Jane Weiss, '53) announce the birth of Andrew Jon on June 18 in Arlington, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Schoen (Sallie Warth) are both on the faculty at Maryville College (Tenn.) this year, Vic teaching theory and Sallie piano. They are continuing their duopiano work. They are only 15 miles from Knoxville and welcome visitors.

President and Mrs. William E. Stevenson have announced the engagement of their daughter, Priscilla, to Richard McMasters Hunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Hunt, of Pittsburgh. Priscilla is working with the New York State Citizens Committee for the Public Schools in New York City. Dick graduated from Yale University in 1948 and received his M.A. degree from Columbia University in 1951. He is with the Free Europe Committee in New York City. The wedding is planned for Oct. 22.

This year Arthur E. Tenney is teaching at Bloom Township High School, Chicago Heights, Ill.

"For the last year and a half," writes Paul Willen, "I've been a political analyst with the Free Europe Committee in New York City, analyzing some of the extraordinary developments which have taken place behind the Iron Curtain since Stalin's death. In addition, I've been writing articles on the same subject for various publications."

David Zellener received his M.D. degree from Western Reserve University in June and is interning in Cincinnati. On June 25 he married Constance Lon Williams of Lakewood, O.

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Mrs. Harvey Aian (Ruth Kruger) writes: "Harv finished his flight training in Kansas, received his wings, and has been assigned to a squadron at Barber's Point Naval Air Station in Hawaii. We live near the base, which is about 50 minutes drive from downtown Honolulu. On the way out here, we stopped in San Diego and saw Barbara Carman, who was busy preparing for her June wedding (in Milwaukee) to Stuart Shore, a Stanford graduate now in the Navy."

Mr. and Mrs. Chester R. Bennett (Clarisse Goulder, '5) are living near North Edmonds, Washington. Chester is an insurance adjuster for the United Pacific Co. in Seattle, and Clarisse keeps busy as a housewife.

E. Scott Bryce writes: "I've been in Iowa for the past two years and have been working for WMT-TV Channel 2 for 1½ years and been producer-director for the past year. I direct all types of shows — news, music, special events, even cowboy shows for the kids. Have taken



DOROTHY CRAWFORD CONNOR, '55, and her husband **Frank Connor, '54,** just after their marriage on January 22. Left to right the attendants are: Sue Barstow, '55, Martha Robb, '55, Wallace MacCrae and Robert W. Crawford, '58. See the April issue of the "Alumni Magazine" for detail.

25 credits at the State University of Iowa and plan to finish my master's degree this fall along with the directing work."

John Challener wrote in August: "Just out of the Army, having served in Korea and Japan. In Korea I worked with the American Forces Korea Network, broadcasting out of Pusan over radio station Homesteader. And I kept up with the music by writing and broadcasting a daily one-hour show called "Great Moments in Music." In September I go back to Juilliard in New York, still working on that M.S. degree. I'll be sharing an apartment with Dick Connelly, '50, who has a church job in Jersey. All Oberlinians cordially invited to come visit us (if you can stand bachelor cooking) — 419 W. 119 St., New York 27, N. Y."

Mr. and Mrs. William P. Chandler (Isabel Wilcox) are settled in a home of their own at 27 Stevens Rd., Nixon, N. J. Bill is chemical engineer for Esso Standard Oil in Linden and Isabel is busy with their daughter Lisa, a year old on June 10, new home, and church activities.

Patricia B. Chase and Ernst Jan Hartmann (Sp. '51-'52) were married on June 10 at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

Rev. Isham E. Crane, Jr., t, has moved from Nowata, Okla., to be pastor of the Friendly Street Church of God in Eugene, Ore. "We like the West and the church in which we are working. It is a modern design and very functional for our Christian Education plan."

Report from Bill and Sadie Garrett Curtis: "Both of us got M.S. degrees in chemistry from Purdue University in January. After completing 4 months at OCS, Newport, R. I., Bill received his Ensign's commission in May. We then spent 2 months in Jacksonville, Fla., at the Aviation Ground Officers School. Anna Carol Kingdon, dropped in on us (literally) at 5:00 one morning, on her way to a youth camp at Avon Park, Fla. In July we headed west for Monterey, Calif., where Bill will be stationed for 10-12 months at the Navy's Post Graduate School in the Aerology course. We took 2½ weeks for the trip and camped out in national parks along the way. Sadie is just housewifing for a change and waiting for arrival of a new little Curtis in March. Oberlinians welcome at 997 Leahy Place, Monterey, Calif."

Mr. and Mrs. A. Leigh Gunn (Janet Ackerly) have moved to 17 Mattingly Ave., Indian Head, Md. Janet writes: "Leigh graduated from Yale Divinity School in June and has a pastorate of 3 Methodist churches. Traveling from one to another doing pastoral work keeps him very busy. We have two children — Phyllis, 22 months, and Andrew, 4 months. I'm busy with the children and our 10 room parsonage. I may substitute teach in the fall."

Rev. Hiro L. Higuchi, t, has been appointed chaplain for Oahu Prison in Hawaii.

Harry Hunsieker has been transferred from the Seattle branch of the Army Audit Agency to the Cleveland branch, where he is doing auditing work on government contracts. He is looking forward to separation from the Army in June, 1956.

David J. Jamieson graduated from the Chicago Theological Seminary of the University of Chicago in June and was ordained on June 19

at the Hollis Avenue Congregational Church, Queens Village, N. Y. He became pastor of the First Congregational Church, Galesburg, Mich., on July 1.

David H. Jones is continuing his study at the University of Washington, where he is a teaching fellow in mathematics. On Sept. 17, 1954, he married Helen Lee Austin, a Stanford graduate. She is employed in the division of adult education at the University.

Deborah Kirsh received the M. A. degree in early childhood education from Teachers College, Columbia University, in August. She is a kindergarten teacher at Edgewater, N. J.

After attending the Oberlin Harp Festival in May, Grace Lenfest joined the staff of Charles Sheldon, Inc., an advertising agency which has been doing the advertising for Breck Shampoo. She is music consultant for radio and television work for the agency. Her headquarters are in Springfield, Mass.

Bob McDougal is a salesman for the Kalamazoo Container Company of Kalamazoo, Mich. He is living on R. 1, Hickory Corners, Mich.

Clara J. McEnderfer and Ernest J. Erdman, '51, were married recently. They have moved to Denver, Colo., where they plan to teach piano privately in their own studio.

Stuart D. McLean has been ordained as a Presbyterian minister and is associate director of the McKinley Foundation at the University of Illinois.

Six '52'ers graduated from Yale Divinity School in June — Alan Mather is minister to Congregational students in the New Haven area, mostly Yale, where his headquarters are; Dave Gibbons is doing student work at the University of Washington; Leigh Gunn has a church near Washington, D. C.; Stu McLean is doing student work at the University of Illinois; Ray Ahrens has a church near Philadelphia; and Jack Watson has a church (location unknown as we go to press).

Mrs. Richard Nelson (Katherine Johnson) writes: "Dick completed his dissertation for his doctorate at Yale this spring, but not in time to get his degree in June. He has received a Social Science Research Council post-doctoral fellowship for next year to study technology as applied to economic development, and has received an appointment at M.I.T. as a Visiting Fellow to carry through the project. In the meantime, we're taking a trip to San Francisco with Dick's sister Joan, '56, camping most of the way, and hope to see some Oberlin people on the trip."

Carol Burke and Richard M. Ohmann were married in June in Cambridge, Mass. Carol graduated from Wellesley College, studied on a Fulbright Fellowship at the University of Bristol, England, and received her master's degree from Radcliffe College, where she is now a teaching fellow in English. Dick has been a graduate and teaching fellow at Harvard University since leaving Oberlin.

Peter Perry went to Charleston, W. Va., in July to set up a speech and hearing therapy program for cerebral palsied children at the Cerebral Palsy Clinic. The clinic is supported by the Kanawha County Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

While Norbert Rapoza continues graduate study at Ohio State University, Julia (Bratter, '53) is a junior draftsman for the Columbus City Engineers.

Theodore L. Rehl is instructor in piano at Washington State College, Pullman, Wash.

Margaret Seaquist and Robert Carter Ellis were married on March 26 at Metropolitan Memorial Methodist Church in Washington, D. C. Bob, a Missourian and graduate of Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy, is a sales engineer with a Washington firm. The Walter Reeds (Peggy Aughey) and the Robert Coddings (Helen Gulick) were at the wedding. In July, Margaret began work as English secretary to the Turkish military mission. Friends welcomed at 4020 Beecher St., N.W., Washington 7, D. C.

Ronald E. Singer entered the Army in late June. Since leaving Oberlin he had been studying at the Yale School of Drama.

Elizabeth P. Smith is teaching 7th grade English and social studies at Mesa County Valley Schools, Fruita, Colo. "We have a new school building and an experimental program. Our success or failure will influence a similar program in the other junior highs in the district."

After teaching music at the Detroit University School for a year, **Neale Stahl** began graduate study in music education at the University of Michigan in 1953. He writes: "Due to a foot infection which 'snowballed' into something more serious, I have had a series of five operations. I have just completed both a year's study and the last of my operations (in June), for which, needless to say, I am extremely glad. Future plans are unsettled, but **Claire (Claire Isaacs)** and I will stay in this vicinity (Ypsilanti, Mich.) for the time being."

David Staley is continuing his graduate study in mathematics at the University of Wisconsin. The last two summers he has managed the Brookside swimming pool in Columbus, O., and has seen a lot of **Chet McPhee**.

James Stockdale completed his Master of Science degree, with major in physical education, at the University of Tennessee in August. September 1 he became assistant director of the Department of Student Welfare, U. of Tennessee Medical Division, Memphis, Tenn.

Jeremy Sweeton, x, is working for the Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co. and lives in the Colonial Village, Wayne, Pa.

After finishing his basic training at Camp Chaffee, Ark., in March, **Robert J. Thomas** was assigned to Ft. Monmouth, N. J., for training in integrated electronic fire control repair, and then to Aberdeen Proving Grounds for advanced training. He expected to finish his training the end of September and to have an overseas assignment. In the meantime, he has been able to live "off base" with his wife, **Doris**.

Carolyn C. Thompson is teaching in the Greenwich, Conn., public schools this year.

1953

Joanna L. Ball finished her graduate study at the University of Michigan in June and spent the summer at her home in Connellsville, Pa. This fall she is teaching piano at the Quinn School of Music in Lakewood, O.

George Beaton received a master of regional planning degree from the University of North Carolina in June. While waiting to be called by the Army, he has been working for the Portsmouth, Va., Department of Planning.

Gershon Berkson has a fellowship in the mental deficiency program at the George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., and is studying for his doctorate. **Gersh** and **Susie** have a daughter, **Jennie**, born January 6.

Mrs. **Robert J. Blinks (Jeanne Pagnucco)** reports: "Married March 5, with a three week ski trip to Zermatt, Switzerland on our honeymoon. **Bob**, Harvard, '49, was a 2nd Lt. USAF after college. I retired from position as sales manager of Glen of Michigan for the summer, spent traveling and being a housewife, but expect to work again in the fall — probably modeling."

Alice J. Brady will be teaching English this coming year at a German school at Tubingen, near Stuttgart.

A note from **Dorothy Brownell ("D.B.")** received just too late for the July Magazine reports: "I came to Washington in February to take a spring semester of education courses at American University, while living at home with my family. After a year and a half in the retailing field — I had been at G. Fox & Co. in Hartford, Conn., as editor of their employees' newspaper — I decided to prepare for teaching art in high school, so I've been practicing teaching, going to classes and planning for June 25 — the day when **Bryce Templeton** and I will be married in New Haven, Conn. **Pru Fox Conover** and **Sabra Chambers Henke** will be in the wedding. **Bryce** and I will be in Cleveland next year, where he'll be third year at Western Reserve Medical School."

Robert A. Clark completed the work for his Master of City Planning degree in June at Georgia Institute of Technology. Until the Army calls him, he is a Senior Planner with the Westchester County (N. Y.) Department of Planning, with headquarters in White Plains, N. Y.

Ronald Colon completed his Army Service at Camp Roberts, Calif., and received an early release to attend Columbia College for TV in Chicago this year. He hopes to go into the production end of TV.

Pvt. Robert D. Cruikshank completed basic training at Fort Dix, N. J., in June and was assigned to Fort Meyer, Va. Prior to enter-



WINS PRIZE AWARD — **Ruth St. James Downs**, '49, who received her Bachelor of Laws degree from Washington University, St. Louis, this June, is the winner of the first prize of \$150 in the Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition for 1955 at the School of Law, Dean **Milton D. Green** announced.

Ruth is a member of Coif, was elected to the Law School Honor Council and the Meet Court team, winner of the Regional Trials.

The Competition, sponsored annually by the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers to stimulate interest in the field of copyright law, is offered in leading law schools throughout the nation. **Ruth's** prize-winning paper, entitled "Some Comments on the Interrelation Between Copyright and Antitrust Laws" will be eligible for the grand National Prize to be announced later.

ing service, he was an actuarial trainee with the Ohio National Life Insurance Co. in Cincinnati.

Rollin DeVere is teaching Spanish and English at Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg, Pa.

Virginia de Vyver and **Daniel O. Fletcher**, '52, were married on June 18 at the Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church in Durham, N. C. **Marion Benson** was a bridesmaid; **Robert Baxter**, '52, of Columbus, O., best man and **Alex Heingartner**, '52, an usher. **Virginia's** parents are Mr. '26, and Mrs. **Frank T. de Vyver (Marion Roth**, '25). **Dan** is the son of Professor, '20, and Mrs. **Robert S. Fletcher** of Oberlin. After two years in the Navy, **Dan** began graduate work at the University of Michigan. Until her marriage, "Ginny" was assistant to Miss **Katharine von Wenck**, Oberlin College recreation director. They are living at 834 W. Huron St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

Mary Young Gibbon was married to **John M. Clarke** in Media, Pa., on June 12. **John** is teaching at Browne and Nichols School in Cambridge, Mass., and "Schatzie" is a caseworker with the Family Service Association of Greater Boston.

On June 25, **Vincent Hart, Jr.**, was married in Seattle, Wash., to a Canadian nurse. They

spent a few days in Oberlin in late August, on the way to Boston, where **Vince** is beginning study at the Boston University School of Theology.

After serving as pastor of the Clarksfield Methodist Church for the past five years, **Rev. James Heininger**, t, was transferred in June to Bluffton, O., as pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Mrs. **John Helper (Diana Chapin)** writes that **John** and she moved to Denver, Colo., in June. **John** is working on his M. A. degree at the University of Denver and expects to teach in Denver in 1956-57; **Diana** is secretary to the president of the Empire Petroleum Co. "We have a beautiful apartment (2185 S. Vine St.) on the DU campus and are ready and eager to entertain all Oberlinians who might come this way. We've already seen **Jim** and **Dorothy Smedley Goodwin** who live in Denver too."

Charlotte Ince worked as a receptionist in an orthodontist's office in Miami until Aug. 1, when she "quit to relax for a while before attending the University of Florida." She is working on her M.A. degree in clinical psychology.

Ross Edward Millikan, son of Mr. and Mrs. **Roger C. Millikan (Mary Stickell)** arrived on March 30 in Berkeley, Calif. He is a happy boy who loves company — Oberlinians welcome at 2512 Ashby Ave.

Martha Munday is teaching piano privately this year in her home area — Peoria, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. **Donald R. Nelson (Janet Foszenkemper)** have moved to Gunnison, Colo. **Don** is completing his degree at Western State College, and **Janet** is teaching elementary and junior high school physical education.

Joyce Mae Olson is teaching history at the Baldwin School in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

An August report from Mr. and Mrs. **George Rose (Faith Buckley)** — "Faith has an organ job in New Hyde Park, L. I., and has 25 private piano students. **George** is choral director on ABC-TV show 'Soldier Parade' and will be separated from service in September. He will work in New York City after his discharge. We were visited this summer by many Oberlinians, including **Charles DeHeart**, **Alice Van Ausdal**, '54, **Alex De John**, '51, and **Rocco Gioia**, '52."

Lt. and Mrs. **Henry H. Seward (Beverly Riley)** are living in Savannah, Ga. **Henry** is stationed at Hunter Air Force Base.

John van Steenwyk received his M.B.A. degree last February from Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Until he is called for military service, he is working as an agent with the Equitable Life Assurance Society, in the Philadelphia area.

Mrs. **Wade Savage (Diane Grubbs)** received her M.A. degree from the State University of Iowa in June.

Mr. and Mrs. **Bryce Templeton (Dorothy Brownell)** are living at 2501 Chester St., Cleveland, O. **Bryce** is a medical student at Western Reserve University and **Dorothy** is teaching 9th and 10th grade English at Maple Heights, a Cleveland suburb.

Alan Wadsworth, stationed at Fort Carson, Colo., won the trophy for first place in the 3rd Army Triathlon last spring.

Virginia Wagner and **Paul G. Mayer** were married on July 2 in the Anabel Taylor Chapel at Cornell University. **Ann Moyer Scharf** was matron of honor and **George Ball**, Oberlin YMCA Secretary, performed the ceremony. They spent the summer in California, where **Paul** worked as a hydraulic engineer for the Bureau of Reclamation on the Central Valley Project. This year they are back in Itasca (507 E. Buffalo St.), while **Paul** works on his Ph.D. in hydraulics and **Ginny** teaches social studies for a second year at Boynton Junior High School.

Mr. and Mrs. **Herbert L. White (Marilyn Warkow)** are staying in Bloomington, Ind., for another year. **Herb** has received a graduate assistantship for an additional year of study in organ. **Marilyn** completed her M.A. degree in library science in June and is employed as a library assistant on the Thailand project of the Indiana University School of Education, which is developing a college of education in Bangkok. Her job is to assist in the selection, ordering, classifying, and cataloging of materials for the library.

After teaching at Antioch, Calif., for two

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years. Lucia Yates is now teaching instrumental music in the Oakland, Calif., public schools.

Marilyn Zoller completed music education requirements at Boston University last year and is now teaching elementary vocal music in the public schools of Carle Place, Long Island.

1954

Anne Blackenburg and Charles Mansfield, '55, were married on June 18. They are going to Paris this fall and will study at the Sorbonne.

After working in Cleveland for a year, Barbara Bloom is "home again" in Evanston, Ill., and is working for a wholesale floor covering establishment in the Chicago Merchandise Mart.

During the past year, Louis P. Bohler, Jr., t, studied at Bexley Hall, Kenyon College, Gambier, O. In June he was ordained into the deaconate of the Ohio diocese (Episcopal) and assigned as deacon in charge of the St. Augustine Episcopal Church, Youngstown, O.

Anne Carleton, Renie Rideout and Mary Jane Shaw who shared an apartment in Cambridge, Mass., last year, report that they were all married in June — Anne to Bill Wright on June 12, Mary Jane to Peter Schultz, x, on June 4, and Renie to Francis Federighi, '53, on June 25. Anne writes that Bill is a Duke University graduate, working on his Ph.D. in applied mathematics at Harvard. They are living at 49 Garfield St., Cambridge. Anne has a new job, as secretary to the publicity director at Wheelock College.

A summer report from Gigi and Jerry (Evans) Cascio — they are at Camp Gordon, Jerry as a clerk-typist, and Gigi as an Army private. Gigi is assigned to work in an experimental TV station in the Southeastern Signal School. He directs, writes, produces, and acts in shows to teach the signal student how to assemble and disassemble various types of equipment, as well as general shows of an introductory nature for use in giving a broad outline of the subject to be taught. . . . He reports running into Scott Withrow, '52, a chaplain's assistant, Mason Olcott, '52, who was waiting orders for transfer after finishing a signal school, and Wally Martin, waiting for orders for advanced school.

The engagement of Susan Daniels, to Pvt. John Q. Cannon, Jr., was announced in June. Both of them graduated from the Moorestown (N. J.) Friends' School. John graduated from Bates College and is serving in the Army, stationed at Broughton, Pa.

Charles Rolfe Dupuy is stationed at Kemi-seya, a Navy radio facility about 12 miles from Tokyo. He'd like to hear from any Oberlinians stationed in Japan or Formosa.

Sonia Evanoff spent the summer as a member of "The Kids from Home," a government-sponsored entertainment troupe, which presented a variety show for U.S. Airmen in Europe. She is teaching music again at Antwerp, O.

Ann Farmer and Gladys Beal flew to Europe in June, meeting Pamela Alexander in London for a two-month tour of Europe. Ann is teaching second grade again at Brighton, a suburb of Rochester, N. Y., and Gladys is teaching physical education at Glens Falls, N. Y.

Fairchild Chapel was the scene of the wedding of Grace J. Fisher and Stephen W. Sears on June 25. Ann Lesser was maid of honor and Frederic Mosher, best man. Steve is on the editorial staff of the American Heritage magazine in New York City.

Sally Grant and Bill Venman, '55, were married July 1 in Grand Rapids, Mich. They are



WEDDING PARTY of Helen Thompson, '55, and Edwin Taylor, '53, in Syracuse, New York, on June 25, 1955. Other Oberlinians are: Left to right: Bradbury Seasholes, '55; Judith Alberti, '55; Elizabeth McElroy, '55; Frances Cressey, '55 (maid of honor); Alexander Heingartner, '52 (best man); Elinor Bower Heingartner, '53; Ruth Taylor Deery, '44; Mrs. Lloyd Taylor; Kenneth Sauer, '53.

both teaching in Muskegon, Mich. — Bill, instrumental music, and Sally, second grade.

Phil Hanawalt received his M.S. degree in physics from Yale last June and is continuing study for the Ph.D. this year. He has a research assistantship in biophysics for 1955-56. He reports an interesting summer working in the radiochemistry lab at the Dow Chemical Co. in Midland, Mich.

Lt. and Mrs. Standley Hoch, Jr. (Shirley Stevenson, '53) are in San Antonio, Texas. Stau writes: "I got a military leave from General Electric in May and am now in USAF, assigned to the Air Force Personnel and Training Research Center at Lackland AFB as a Management Analysis Officer. Shirley will teach in San Antonio this fall."

James Hollister reports: "I'm working this summer doing cement work with the department of public works in Valley Stream, N. Y. In three weeks I'll return to Cornell Medical College for my second year. I'm happy to say that I was in the first quarter of the class this past year."

Charles W. Jackson received the degree of Master of Retailing from the University of Pittsburgh in June.

Rev. Robert Jacobson, t, resigned from the First Christian Church of Uhrichsville, O., to become pastor of the United Congregational Church of Addison, Mich., the first of June.

Report from Jeanne Lomax: "I greatly enjoyed teaching in Greenwich, Conn., last year, but am teaching mathematics this year at the Junior High School in Maplewood, N. J., and living at home. Last January I became engaged to 2nd Lt. John C. Bausmith, USAF, who graduated last June from Lehigh University as an electrical engineer."

The Peter McCorisons, x, (Barbara Breakey McCorison,) have settled in Troy, N. Y., this year. Pete completed Navy service during the early summer and is studying at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, while Barb is secretary to the librarian at Russell Sage College.

Marilyn McDonald and Richard Witham, t'55, were married in Cleveland on June 14. They spent the summer near Mt. Davis, Pa., where Dick managed the wilderness camping program for older boys at the Pittsburgh YMCA Camp. In September they headed for Boston, where Dick is in graduate study at the Boston University School of Theology.

Marjorie E. Maier completed graduate study in history at the University of Wisconsin in August. She is teaching world and American history at the Washington Park High School in Racine, Wis.

Kathryn Newbolt and Morton G. Davis, x'57, were married at the First Congregational Church in Hudson, O., on July 23. Mrs. James Watkins (Carol Wightman) was an attendant. Other '54'ers present included Betty Jenkins, Jim Shelley, Polly Straus Raub, and "Pepper" Brown. Kathy and Mort are living at 603 University Ave., Syracuse, N. Y. Mort is studying

music at Syracuse University and Kathy is teaching second grade at the Charles Andrews School in Syracuse. They "would like to see any Oberlinians in the area or those just passing by."

A/C Albert G. "Jerry" Rogers completed his primary pilot training at Malden Air Force Base, Mo., and was assigned to Williams AFB, Ariz., for his final 20 weeks of single engine jet training.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Schroder (Joy Fenkart Schroder) are at George School in Bucks County, Pa. Ken is teaching general science and chemistry and Joy has several private piano students.

Mrs. Theodore H. Smith (Mary Callison) writes that Ted has completed the primary flight school at Barton, Fla., and is now in jet training at Greenville, Miss., AFB. They are living at 915 Chancy Drive, Greenville.

Li Somogyi and Edward W. Stark, '53, were married at her home in St. Louis, Mo., on June 14. Her sister Sue, '57, was her attendant. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Richard Sherrill, Ed's brother-in-law, husband of Virginia Stark, '49. Ed is employed as an associate engineer at the Sperry Gyroscope Co. and they are living at 687 Alton Rd., West Hempstead, L. I., N. Y. "Friends always welcome — the phone is Ivanhoe 3-9318."

Barbara E. Spreng received her M.A. degree in classics from Johns Hopkins University in June. This year she has a French Government grant and is a teaching assistant in a French school.

In June, Mrs. Charles Whitehead (Mary Laub) started a new job as publications secretary at the New York State League of Women Voters in New York City.

Chris Winchester is teaching first grade at Sayreville, N. J., this year and living at home in Highland Park.

1955

A directory of the class of 1955 will be printed in the November Magazine. All news of '55 will appear next month.

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LOSSES IN THE OBERLIN FAMILY

1899

FIEBACH — Albert H. Fiebach, well known Cleveland attorney and civic leader, former national head of the Shrine, died July 16, at Hanna House, University Hospital, in Cleveland at the age of 78.

Born in Brownhelm, Ohio, he graduated from the Harvard Law School in 1902. In the same year he was admitted to the Ohio bar and spent the rest of his life in active practice as an attorney. He was a member of the firm of Fiebach, Hauser, and DiLeone.

For 20 years, from 1914 to 1934 he served as police prosecutor, traffic judge, clerk, auditor, and solicitor of Bratenahl, a suburb of Cleveland. During the second administration of Harry L. Davis, as mayor of Cleveland, he served as health and welfare director.

Albert had many interests and took an extremely active part in civic affairs. He organized and became the trustee for the Cleveland Federated Charities, the forerunner of the Community Fund. He was one of the founders of the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. He was active in the Singers Club and the Heights Rotary Club, and was a director of the Ohio Forge and Machine Corporation.

In 1933 he became a 33rd degree Mason, served as imperial potentate of the Shrine in 1942 and as most illustrious grand sovereign, Red Cross of Constantine, in 1948. He was energetic in raising funds for the Shrine's hospital for crippled children.

Albert is survived by one daughter, Mrs. C. W. Bliss, and three grandchildren.

1903

MARCH — Harry L. March, 73, died of a heart attack on July 5, a few months after his retirement as president of the First National Bank of Crookston, Minnesota. He rose from bookkeeper of the bank in 1904 to its president in 1923.

As an undergraduate at Oberlin, Harry was a member of the track team and graduated Phi Beta Kappa. It was at Oberlin that he met the former Annie Miller ('04), whom he married in Crookston in June, 1906. Mrs. March died in 1949.

Born in Bridgewater, New York, September 19, 1881, Harry started his career as a banker in Utica, New York, before moving to Crookston. He was very active in fraternal, service and musical organizations in the city, a past master of the Masonic Lodge and past high priest of the Pierson Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. He was a member of Rotary and the First Methodist Church, and sang with the Northwest Singers Group.

Survivors include one son, Albert, of Riverside, California; two daughters, Elizabeth Marsh, of Crookston, and Mrs. Howard Ware of Kirksville, Missouri; and a brother, Willard, of Clinton, New York.

REED — Dr. Dudley B. Reed, former head of the student health service at Chicago University, died of a heart attack at Camp Pemigewassett, Wentworth, New Hampshire, on June 29. He was 76 years old.

Retired since 1945, Dudley made his home in Oberlin, where he was active in civic affairs and chairman of the board of managers of Allen Hospital. He spent his summers at Camp Pemigewassett, of which he was one of the founders in 1908.

Born in Medina, Ohio, on October 24, 1878, the son of Arthur T. Reed, '70, and Kate Bushnell, '71, Dudley received his medical degree from Columbia Medical School in 1908. In the same year he married Clara Jane Jones, '05, and moved to Asheville, North Carolina, where he joined the faculty of Asheville School. He was head of the department of physical education at the University of Rochester from 1909 to 1911, going from there to Chicago University.

A former past president of the Oberlin Chapter of the Elyria Red Cross, Dudley served as acting director of Allen Hospital and the college student health service during the school year of 1947-48.

Talented as a musician and composer, he wrote

and produced "Reverse English," the first production staged by the Oberlin Players as a Hospital benefit. He was an active member of the First Congregational Church.

Surviving him are his wife, Clara; two sons, Dudley B. Reed, Jr., '31, of South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Thomas L. Reed, '38, of Providence, Rhode Island; a brother T. A. Reed, '14, of Eugene, Oregon; and a sister, Mrs. Easton Carr (Carolyn A., '03), of Oberlin.

1908

BEAN — Berton B. Bean, 68, associate superintendent, emeritus, of the schools in Buffalo, New York, died of a heart attack on July 16.

Born in Akron, Ohio, September 27, 1886, Berton was a student at Oberlin from 1904 to 1907, later taking his bachelor of philosophy degree at Alfred University in 1912 and M.A. degree from Columbia University Teachers College in 1925. An educator in Buffalo for 30 years and in New York State for 42 years, Berton was past president of the New York State Elementary Principals Association, the Western Zone New York State Teachers Association, and the Buffalo Elementary Principals Association.

He was a member of the Mercer Club, the Buffalo Athletic Club, the Central Presbyterian Church, and served for 15 years on the Buffalo Board of Safety.

Surviving him are his wife, Ethel Karr; two sons, Dr. Richard B., Boston, Mass., and Dr. Berton C., Sr.; one daughter, Mrs. Roy L. Westenfeller; and four brothers, William, Arthur, and Albert, of Hornell, N. Y., and Charles, of Paterson, N. J., and five grandchildren.

PARKS — Aaron J. Parks, 71, farm and civic leader of Minonk, Ill., died March 9 at Billings Hospital, Chicago, Ill., after a long illness. He was a prominent farmer and dairyman who lived all his life in and near Minonk and took an extremely active part in the civic affairs of the community.

Born in Clayton Township, just west of Minonk, on December 23, 1883, he was an outstanding athlete as an undergraduate at Oberlin College. His wife, Anna, x'05, whom he met while in Oberlin, was in the Conservatory of Music. They were married in Leadville, Colo., on June 29, 1910.

Aaron was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of which he was one-time president, a member of the school board for years, and a strong supporter and financial backer of the Boy Scouts. He was also director and treasurer of the Minonk Recreation Board and chairman of Civil Defense, a member of the Minonk Baptist Church, the Masons, and the Order of the Eastern Star.

He was fond of travel, having visited Hawaii, Alaska, the Caribbean, Mexico, and last summer flew to England and continental Europe.

He is survived by his wife, Anne; one son, Alderman Homer C. of Minonk; two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Elliot, '33, of Heidelberg, Germany, and Mrs. Isabel Lierman of Dunellen, N. J.; a brother, Harrison M. Parks, '11, of Minonk, Ill., and a sister, Mrs. Esther Shepherd of Berkeley, Calif.

SCHUMACHER — Albert Christian Schumacher, former editor of the Berea (Ky.) Citizen and superintendent of the Berea College Press from 1923 to 1952, died April 1, 1955, in Lexington, Kentucky. He was 71 years old.

Born September 25, 1883, in Bluffton, Ohio, Albert received his D.B. from Oberlin in 1911, representing the Theological Seminary, when he was a divinity student, on the Student Council. He also studied at Union Seminary.

On October 16, 1913, he married Sarah Elizabeth Weida, '11; they had four children.

Albert served as minister of the Grace Mennonite Church at Pandora, Ohio, and Greene Community Church, Lockwood, Ohio. For two years he was case supervisor for the American Red Cross in New York City. Later, he moved to Columbus, Ohio, where he owned and operated the Columbus Grove Vidett, before going to Berea in 1923. After his retirement in 1952

from his duties at Berea College, he became co-owner of the Mount Vernon (Ohio) Signal before ill health forced him to relinquish his interests.

Survivors are his wife, Sarah Weida Schumacher, '11; two sons, Mark of Phoenix, Arizona, and Owen John (x'53) U.S. Air Force, Sacramento, California; two daughters, Mrs. Janet O'Brien, New York City, and Mrs. Betty Dickerson, Berea, Ohio.

1911

NICHOLS — Louise M. Allen Nichols, wife of Dr. J. Herbert Nichols, retired director of physical education, died of a heart ailment in Hanover, New Hampshire, on August 2. She was 67 years old.

Born in Adrian, Michigan, on February 10, 1888, Louise was married on June 21, 1915. She moved to Oberlin with her husband in 1935, spending the summers at Camp Pemigewassett, Wentworth, New Hampshire, where she helped in the management of the junior boys' camp.

Through the years, Louise met ill health with gaiety and unflinching courage. Her cheerfulness, her thoughtfulness and understanding of others won her devoted friends.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Margaret Ann, x'47, on the faculty of Vermont Junior College; a son, Y/2c John Richard, x'51, in the service in the Pacific; a brother, Milton W. Allen of Denver, Colorado; and a sister, Mrs. Margaret Robson, '08, of Westfield, New Jersey.

1913

CHENEY — Walter Lynn Cheney, 65, professor of physics at George Washington University for 35 years, died of a heart attack July 6, on the eve of his retirement from active service.

Born in Monroe Center, Ohio, Walter received his A.M. degree from the University of Nebraska in 1915, and his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 1922. On September 10, 1918, he married Myrtle L. Kellogg, '13. She died December 2, 1943.

An authority on magnetic properties of iron and copper alloys, Walter was a graduate assistant at the University of Nebraska and a teaching fellow at Rice Institute before going to Washington in 1920. He was a fellow of the American Physical Society, a member of Sigma Xi, and former vice-president of the Washington Philosophical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers.

In 1946 he was awarded the Washington University Alumni citation for outstanding contribution to the University and devoted service to faculty and students. He is the author of numerous articles on magnetism.

Surviving are his wife, Loretta D.; three daughters, Mrs. Wilbur F. Eastman, Jr. (Margaret Jane, '40), Westbury, L. I.; Mrs. Gwynn H. Suits (Ruth Kellogg, '45), Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Mrs. Eric D. Brown, Arlington, Virginia; his mother, Mrs. Jessie Cheney, Chardon, Ohio; three brothers: Harvey C., '18, Cleveland, Ohio; John C., Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Azro M., San Mateo, California, and six grandchildren.

1939

KROUSE — F. Michael Krouse, '39, died on September 1 in Dayton, Ohio, after a long illness. Well known to many alumni, Mike received his M.A. from Oberlin in 1941 and his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins in 1946. An associate professor of English at the University of Cincinnati, Mike had a wide following in Southern Ohio as a result of his popular television series on Shakespeare and lyric poetry.

An authority on John Milton, Mike was fittingly described in a recent Cincinnati "Times-Star" editorial: "The great Puritan poet never faced blindness with more courage than Mike Krouse faced the knowledge of his mortal illness, fought it steadily, and yet continued his studies and writings almost until the day of his death."

Surviving him are his parents, his wife, the former Margaret Good, '42, and their two children, John, 8, and Elizabeth, 4.

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